

A Thousand
Notable Things
of sundry sorts, enlarged.

Whereof
Some are Wonderfull, some
Strange, some Pleasant divers Neces-
sary, a great sort Profitable, and many
very Precious.

Whereunto is now added, many Excellent New
Conceits never before Printed, very witty,
useful, and delightful.

*This Book bewrayes, that some had rather hide,
which who so buyes, their Money is not lost;
For many a thing therein, if truly trade,
will gain much more than twenty such will cost.
And divers also great Secrets will detect;
And other more of strange and rare effect.*

*It is not made to please some one degree,
no, nor yet to bring a gain to few;
For each thereby, how Rich or Poor they be,
may reap much good, and mischief great eschew.
The Pains and Travel hitherto is mine,
The Gain and Pleasure henceforth will be thine.*

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The Preface OF THE AUTHOR TO THE READER.



If some think no shame to displeasure many for the displeasing of a few (Gentle Reader) then I need not to blush, nor fear to profit many, by hurting of none, which I hope I have done, by publishing of this my Book abroad, nor Pen'd without pain,

nor drawn without diligence, nor ended with ease: wherein are such, and so many Notable, Rare, Pleasant,

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fant, Profitable, and Delicious Things (meaning one with another) as never were yet set forth in any Volume in our vulgar English-Tongue; nay, divers of them were never hitherto Printed nor written that ever I knew: but only that I writ them at such time as I heard them credibly Reported, thinking them such rare Things as were worthy to be Registered. Marry, I must confess, I have selected and picked a great sort out of *Latine Writers*; the Authors and Writers whereof, I have named most commonly at the end of the same: And some *Notable and Precious Things* I gathered out of some *old English written Books*, and some also not long since Printed, unworthy to be hid, and greater pitty but they should be known, which purposely I have placed herein: whereby I think verily many will Read them, Hear them, and have Profit by them, that otherwise should never have known them. For many (I suppose) will Buy this Book for things wherunto they are Affectionated, that never could or would have bought or looked on the Books wherein all they are. So that by this means, they are like to win against their wills.

Perhaps you will marvel, that I have not placed them in better order, and that things of like matter are not joyned together. Truly, there are so many, of so divers and sundry sorts, and contrary effects, that it could not be altogether observed. And in my judgement, through the strangeness and variety of matter, it will be more desirously and delightfully read, knowing we are made of such a mould, that delicate daintiness delights us much, but we loath to be fed too long with one food: and that long wanting, in strange, pleasant, and contrary places, will lesser weary us, then short travel in often trodden ground.

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To the Reader.

This Work might have been framed with finer Phrases (more delectable to some, though not so sweet for many) but that it is better to profit a greater sort, then to feed the fancies of a few; well assured, that the learned Eloquent can better perceive plain speeches, than the slenderly Learned and common sort can understand Eloquent Discourses.

Therefore as I have written it to all indifferently, so wish I to manifest the meaning thereof accordingly: especially of such as are to be conceived: Not ignorant that there are divers and sundry Astrological Aphorisms, and some other Practises besides in this Book, that many both Wise, Learned, and Eloquent, cannot attain to the understanding thereof (much less the common sort) the meaning whereof I commit to the Learned therein. But because the Planetical power and effect in their hours (whereof I have noted some marvellous matters in this Work) should not be hid or unknown, I hope shortly there will be set forth such a Rule or Platform, that they may be thought simple-witted, or slenderly learned, that thereby cannot find out, and know quickly both what Hour or Time any Planet doth reign or bear rule, and at what instant the same begins; and how long the force thereof doth last: which once known, the things which I have written herein concerning the same (being well marked and diligently observed) will not only avoid much mischief and harm, but also will procure great pleasure and profit. Until the publishing whereof, I refer you to a little Book, intituled, or called, A brief Treatise concerning many proper Tables, &c. In which little Book is contained the Computation of Years, with the Reigns of the Kings of England: Also, A brief, necessary,

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and exact Table and Rule, whereby any may find justly and truly, when and how long any Planet doth reign, especially such as be of good capacity, and have pregnant wits to conceive the same; but as for the duller sort, whose understandings is unable to reach the true meaning by short Instruction, I think the same to be too brief and busie for them, I have divided this into Eleaven Books, wishing that they may be accepted as thankfully and willingly, as I have bestowed them friendly and freely. Being bold to affirm thus much, That a great deal of Gold cannot countervaille this Gift; if some Twenty of the said Thousand, be diligently marked, faithfully followed, and perfectly practised. And thus with few words, I bid you farewell.

THOMAS LUPTON.

THE

THE
First Book
OF
NOTABLE THINGS.

I.

IN the first beginning hereof, a rare and strange matter shall appear, worthy to be marked, especially of such as love or use Sage. A certain man being in a Garden with his love, did take (as he was walking) a few leaves of Sage, who rubbing his teeth and gums therewith, immediately fell down and died : whereupon his said Love was examined how he died : she said, she knew nothing that he ailed, but that he rubbed his teeth with Sage : and she went with the Judge (and others) into the Garden and place where the same thing happened : and then she took of the

same Sage to shew them how he did, and likewise rubbed her teeth and gums therewith, and presently she died also, to the great marvel of all them that stood by: whereupon the Judge suspecting the cause of their deaths to be in the Sage, caused the said Bed of Sage to be plucked and digged up, and to be burned, lest others might have the like harm thereby: and at the roots, or under the said Sage, there was a great Toad found, which infected the same Sage with his venomous breath. *Antonius Mizaldus* hath written of this marvelous matter, This may be a warning to such as rashly use to eat raw and unwash'd Sage: therefore it is good to plant Rue round about Sage, for Toads by no means will come nigh unto Rue (as it is thought of some.)

2. A certain Poet, by the report of *Mizaldus*, did wear leaden soles under his shoos, lest the wind should over-blow him, his body was so light and so little.

3. If any do mildly or softly beat the Plant or stalks of an herb call'd *Mullen*, some calls it *Hedge-raper*, in the morning, when the flowers thereof begin to open, all the flowers by little and little will fall and come to one; as though the Plant were withered, or blasted: which the ignorant have thought to be done by Magical Arts, or by some enchantment; especially, if he that doth strike the same *Mullen*, doth seem to mumble some words while he doth it. *Mizaldus*.

4. The hooves of the fore-feet of a Cow dried, and made in fine poulder, increaseth milk in Nurser, If they eat it in their pottage, or use it in their drink, and being cast upon burning coals, the smoke there-

thereof doth kill Mice, or at the least doth drive them away. This *Mizaldus* writes of the experiment of a certain *Spaciard*.

5. *Aqua vite*, being outwardly applyed, doth help very much the Sinnews and Muscles; and other parts of the body, tormented or pained of a cold cause, with heating, strength, and swift penetration. X

6. If one use to rub chapped or rough lips with the sweat behind their ears, it will make them fine, smooth, and well coloured. Proved.

7. When unfortunate Planets be in Angles, and the Sun or Moon applies unto them corporally, or by opposition, it signifies that the Party then born, will be either crook-backed, or will halt, or it signifies the destruction or loss of some Member; especially, if the *Moon* be with the *Dragons Tayle* in these signs, *Aries*, *Taurus*, *Cancer*, *Scorpius*, or *Capricornus*, or in the beginning, or end of the sign. *Patromah Guat. Ryff*.

8. Earth-worms fryed with Goose-greace, then strain'd, and a little thereof dropt warm into the deaf or pained Ear, doth help the same: You must use it half a dozen times at the least. This is true.

9. *Anthonus Benevinius*, an excellent Physician, doth glory, That he, with the water wherein Smiths did quench their hot and burning Irons, giving the same often to drink, and with the eating of Capers, did perfectly heal a Citizen of *Florence*, that had the grief and swelling of the Spleen seven years. X

10. Adders-tongue wrapt in Virgins Wax, and put in the left Ear of any Horse, it makes the Horse to fall down to the ground as though he were dead: and

and when it is taken out of his Ear, it doth not only waken him, or raise him, but also it makes him more lively or quick. *Mizaldus* writes this of the report of an *Englishman*.

0 11. If a Water-Snake be tyed by the tayl with a cord, and hanged up, and a vessel full of Water set under the said Snake, after a certain time, he will avoid out of his mouth a stone, which stone being taken out of the vessel, it drinks up all the Water: Let this stone be tyed to the belly of them that have the Dropsie, and the Water will be exhausted, or drunk up; and it fully and wholly helps the Party that hath the said Dropsie. *Jacobus Hollerius*.

12. Oft Thunder doth turn and change Wines marvellously; but if the Wines be then in Cellars, being paved, and the Walls of stone, they take less harm than in boarded Cellars; therefore it is good, before such Tempest or Thunder, to lay a plate of Iron with Salt, or flint stones, upon the said vessels with Wine, *Levinus Lemnius* by *Mizaldus* report.

13. They will have the Palsie, or be so that they cannot move themselves, or will be given to tremble, in whose Nativities the Moon is an Angle with Saturn; Saturn then being under the beams of the Sun combust. Likewise if the sixth House, and the Lord thereof be infortunate of Saturn, without the Aspect of a good Planet. *Jatromath. Guat. Ryff*.

+ 14. Make powder of unslackt Lyme, and mix it with black Soap, and anoint any Wen there-with, and the Wen will fall away; and when the root is come out, anoint it with Oyl of Balm, and it will heal it perfectly.

15. If you will make Wood of the colour of the Wood

Wood *Hebenus*, especially such as be hard, as Box and Pear-tree, and such like, do as followeth: lay the Wood you mean to colour in Allom-water, so that it be covered with the said water, and let it rest so three dayes; then lay the said Wood against the Sun, or the fire, that it may only wax warm: then seeth the same Wood in common Oyl, wherein put as much of Vitriol Roman, and Brimstone, as a Hazel Nut, let it be dissolved, the longer you seeth it, the blacker the Wood will be, so that you keep a measure therein, and it will be fair and elegant. *Mizaldus* had this of an *Italian*, a Professor of many experiments.

16. The juyce of Mullen-leaves (of some called Hedge-taper, and of some Longwort) put to any part that is bruised, or that hath had a stroke, and the stamned leaves thereof, then put it upon the same, and tyed fast on with a cloth: If you let it lye so a whole day and a night unremoved, it will heal it finely, yea, though it be a wound; but the sore must be first washt with white Wine a little warmed, and the juyce and the leaves must be put to it, and you will marvel at the effect. *Mizaldus* had this of one that proved it.

17. If any Wood or Iron be deep in the flesh, and cannot well be gotten out, dip a tent in the juyce of Valerian, and put it into the wound or sore as deep as you can, and tye the herb Valerian stamped upon the same with some linnen cloth, that it removes not away; and by this means, the Wood, Iron, or other thing whatsoever, will not only be drawn forth, but also the wound will be healed. *Mizaldus* writes it upon the report of an *Italian*. *Alexis* also affirms it.

18. A barren Vine will bear grapes, if you eat
old and sowre Wine thereon, or if you bury the
Lees of Wine at the roots thereof; but you must
take heed that you cast no Soot that is swept from
Chimnies, or Lime, to the root of the said barren
Vine, which with their burning heat kills the Vine,
and makes the same to wither before his time. *Mizaldus.*

19. In the morning, if Salt be holden in the
mouth under the tongue, until it melt or consume in
to water, and teeth being rubbed therewith, it will
preserve the teeth safe and sound: and it will keep
them from rotting, and that they shall not be
worm-eaten. Proved.

20. The teeth of a Boar new killed, are so hot,
that if one then put them to hairs or bristles, they
will burn them: which seems that the Boar is in-
flamed with ire against them that kill him, that he
would be revenged on them with his tusks. *Zenophon*
is the Author, and *Mizaldus* the reporter thereof.

21. There is no presenter remedy to cease the
torment of the Gout, both in the hands and in the
feet, than a young Whelp, especially of one colour,
if the same be put to the grief. *Levinus Lemnius.*
But the Whelp ought to be cut out, or cloven into
two parts thorow the midst of the back, and the one
half with the inner-side hot, to be laid to the grieved
place: and this I know to be an excellent thing.

22. Many stinking things do drive away the con-
tagious and pestiferous air, as *Castorum*, *Galbanum*,
Sagaprenum, Brimstone, (all which are to be had at
the Apothecaries) the smoke of burned Leather, and
of Horns, and especially the smell of Gunpowder.

For

or (saith *Linnius*) the whole City of *Tornace* being infected with the Plague, the Rulers of the Tower and Castle there, caused their Guns to be fixed and levelled at the City charged with Gunpowder; without pellets or shot, and then morning and evening in the twy-light, they shot off the said peeces or Guns, so that through the stinking smell of the said smoke, and the great and violent noise of the Guns, the infectious and contagious air was quite put away, and the City delivered from the plague.

23. Common Azure is made as followeth, Take of Salt Armoniac, three ounces; of Verdigrease, six ounces; let them be made in powder, and mix them with water of Tartar, so that it may be something thick; then put the same into a glass, and let it be well stopped that no air may get forth, and let it be laid in very hot Horse-dung for the space of eight dayes: and then when you take it out, you shall find it an excellent Azure. *Mizaldus.*

24. It is to be marvelled at, That a Cock, or Cockrel, which doth not fear a Serpent, or a Dragon, is so afraid of the shadow of a Glead, when he is flying; that suddenly he seeks a place of refuge, and hides himself. *Mizaldus.*

25. Any kind of Amber being sodden in the grease of a Sow that gives suck to young Pigs, is not only thereby the clearer, but also much the better. *Mizaldus.*

26. If any carry about him the Seed of Sorrel, gathered by a Boy, being a virgin, his Sperm or Nature shall not go from him, neither sleeping nor waking: therefore it is said to be good against any Pollu-

Pollution in the Night. *Gilbertus Anglicus*.

27. A certain Citizen of Padua, having *Cantharides*, that is to say, *French Flies*, applied to one of his knees, did piss above five ounces of blood. The like happened to one, to whose great toe of the same foot the same was applied; *Bartholomeus Adonateganus*, a notable Physician affirms this: therefore *Cantharides* is perillous to be taken both inward and outward.

28. The leaf of the greater Butte, born or laid on the top of the Head, doth draw the Matrix upward. But laid under the sole of the Foot, it draweth downward, which is a notable and excellent Remedy against the Suffocations, falling and displacing of the Matrix. This *Mizaldus* writeth.

29. Ale sod till it be thick like a Salve, helps all Sores and Aches, applied thereto marvellously: a thing often proved.

30. All kind of Ducks have this property, That what flesh or meat is sod therewith, though they be never so old, hard, or tough, they will become tender and meet to be eaten: hereupon it comes that they were so used in the old time, so that thereby the meat was more sooner concoct and easier digested, and the wound more soluble. *Mizaldus*.

31. When the *Ascendent* and the *Moon* are both impedit, and their Lords or Signifiers safe, then the sickness is in the body, and not in the mind: and if the *Ascendent* and the *Moon* be safe, and their Lords or Signifiers impedit or hindered, then the sickness is in the mind, and not in the body. And if they all be impedit, then it signifies both sickness of the body and grief of mind. Likewise if an unfortunate

Planet behold the *Ascendent*, and not the *Moon*, then the disease or grief is in the mind, and not in the body: and if contrary, then the disease is in the body and not in the mind. But if an infortunate Planet behold them both, then the disease and grief is in them both. *Paracelsus Lib. 1. Cap. 1. Ryff.*

32. If one suspect himself to be infected with the Plurisie, let the party hold in his breath as long as he can; and then if he can let his breath go, without coughing, he hath not the Plurisie: if not, he hath the Plurisie, or is in danger thereof.

33. Whosoever hath the Quartane Ague, shall not be troubled with the Falling-sickness: For if one have the Falling-sickness first, and after shall have the Quartane Ague; the Falling-sickness will leave him. *Hippocrates.*

34. One may colour Ivory, or any other bones, with an excellent green colour, as followeth; Take strong Water, called *Aqua Fortis*, wherein dissolve as much Copper as the said Water is able; then let the bones you would have coloured, lie in the same all night, and they will be like a Smaragdine colour. *Mizaldus.*

35. If Oyl be poured upon Wine, or any other Liquor, it makes that the same shall not wax musty, nor be corrupted: for it excludes, or drives forth all air that may breed corruption, only with the outward air of the Oyl, as with a certain covering. Notwithstanding, all strips of Plants, whereon Oyl is poured or effused, do putrifie, as *Pliny* reports.

36. The coals of a Birch-tree made in powder, and put into a Wound or great Sore, healeth it perfectly without any other thing. It was credibly told me,

me, that the *Muscovites* use it much, and esteeme greatly.

37. A *Robin-red-breast* finding the dead body of a Man or Woman, will cover the face of the same with Moss: and as some hold Opinion, he will cover also the whole body.

38. An *Italian*, through the oft smelling of a herb called Basil, had a Scorpion bred in his Brain which did not only a long time grieve him, but at the last killed him. *Jacobus Hollerius*, a learned Physician, affirms it for truth. Take heed therefore ye smellers of Basil.

39. If the Navel-string of a Child, after it cut, doth chance to touch ground before it be buried, the same Child will not be able to keep or hold his or her Water, neither night nor day: A thing very true and known.

40. A fleaed Mouse roasted, or made in powder and drank at one time, doth perfectly help such cannot hold or keep their Water, especially if it be used three dayes in this order: This is very true, and often proved.

41. It was credibly reported to me for a very truth, that a certain Inn-keeper in *Ware* died, who had a Dog that loved him so well, that certain dayes after he mourned, and sought for his said Master without eating of any thing: and when he could not find his said Master, he laid himself among the hot coals in a chimney: who though he was pulled out of the fire, yet he went in again and burned himself to death; a rare and strange thing as hath been heard of: I think it is hard to find a Servant so loving to his Lord, as this Dog was to his Master.

42. As soon as the Child is born (especially a Boy) there ought to be great heed taken in the cutting of the Navel-string: for the Member of Generation both follow the proportion of the Navel-string: and if it be tyed too short in a Wench, it may be a hindrance to her in bringing forth her Child. Therefore it is meet that Midwives have a great regard therein. This is gathered out of *Matthias Cornace*, an excellent Physician.

43. For the helping of the Cods or Stones that be swollen or pained: the ancient Learned did grave in a Plate of Copper, the figure of a Scorpion, in the hour of *Saturn*, the third face of *Aquary*, then ascending or rising with *Saturn*: and for the Gout, the seal of *Pisces*. And also for the helping or bettering of Memory, they made a Ring of pure Gold, wherein was closed a Diamond under the conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in *Aries*. *Hermes*.

44. *Egidius Herthoge*, writes a strange marvel of a Woman, which carried a dead Child in her womb thirteen years, which was perceived of many that handled her belly; but he writes not what success she had therewith: for whilst he wrote the same the Woman was well, and did her business, with her Husband abroad, and also at home.

45. Betony drunk with Water or Wine, doth cause a Woman to be easily and speedily delivered, yea, though the Child be dead; or if it be turned contrary, to a right course: Also it brings forth the After-burthen: the like effect hath Penyrval, as some affirm. And it hath been proved, as saith *Mixaldus*.

46. Pigeons do so love the Castrel, that if one

close young Castrels in a pot, and stop and cover the same close, and shall hang them in four corners of the Dove-house, it will procure such a love to the Pigeons of that place, that for the desire of them, being so inclosed in the said pots, they will never change that place, insomuch that they love the Castrels their friends after their death. *Columella* reports this, as *Mizaldus* affirms.

47. The Wort-leaf laid on the crown of the Head, draweth up the Uvula, or the flap in the throat, *M. Cato* by the report of *Mizaldus*.

48. If a piece of fine Gold, or leaves of pure Gold be put into the Juyce of Lemmons, and taken out of it after it hath lain therein a whole day, and the same Juyce then given to one that is sick of the Plague, with a little Wine, and the pouders of the Root of *Angelica*, or of the Decoction of the same Root; it is a marvel to be told what help it brings them, yea, though they be past all hope, or thought of recovery. This *Mizaldus* writes as proved.

49. If a man be the first that a woman meets after she comes out of the Church, when she is newly Churched, it signifies that her next Child will be a Boy: If she meet a woman, then a Wench is like to be her next Child. This was credibly reported to me to be true. But praise it as it proves.

+ 50. A little Bay-salt, stamped small, mixt with the yolk of an Egg and applyed to a Fellon, and used divers times, doth not only perfectly heal the same with speed; but also it draws out all the pain of the Arm, and ceases the swelling thereof, if any such be, by the means of the same. This is perfectly proved.

51. Childre

51. Children are not alwayes like unto their Parents, as it may appear in *Holides*, which did beget a Daughter of an *Ethiopian*, which Daughter was not of the colour of her Mother: but after the said Daughter had a Son, which was black and like to his Grand-mother. So *Nicens* the Poet did degenerate in his colour from his Father and his Mother, and was like his Grand-father being an *Ethiopian*; which thing ought well to be considered of such that suspect their Wives when they bring forth Children unlike to either of them: for it happens many times that the Child is like to the Grand-father, or Great-grand-father, and neither like the Father nor Mother. *Mizaldus*.

52. A Toad-stone, called *Crapandina*, touching any part benumb'd, hurt, or stung with Rat, Spider, Wasp, or any other venomous Beasts, ceases the pain or swelling thereof. *Lamneus*

53. The Juyce of Broom mixt with the Oyl of Radish or Mustard, is a very safe Remedy for the killing or destroying of Lice.

54. If a woman anoint often her Duggs or Paps with the Juyce of Succory, it will make them little, round; or hard; for if they be hanging or bagging, it will draw them together, whereby they shall seem as the Duggs of a Maid. *Mizaldus*.

55. If you shall enclose within a piece of thin silk, *Galbanum* made soft, and shall lay it to the mouth of the Matrix all night, (the head of that Woman having then no foul or stinking cloaths upon it, but only covered with a Caule, and a clean or thin Kerchief, without any kind of Odours) in the morning when the same are loosed from the Head,

if the crown of her Head smell of *Galbanum*, it is a sure token that the Woman is apt to have Children. *Hippocrates*.

56. If a stone called an *Hemetist*, wherein a man is graven with bended knees, girded about with a Serpent, holding the Serpents head in his right hand, and his tayl in his left hand, beset in a Gold Ring, with an herb called Dragons put under the said stone, it doth make the bearer thereof safe from all Poyson and Plague. *Hollerius* a notable Physician writes it.

+ 57. The fasting spettle of a whole and sound Person, doth quite take away all Scurvinefs, Sawfame, or Redness of the face, Ring-worms, Tetter, and all kind of Pustules or Wheals, by smearing or rubbing the infected place therewith: And likewise it clean puts away thereby all painful swellings by the means of any venomous thing; as Hornets, Spiders, Toads, and such like. *Mizaldus*.

58. New Cheefe wrapt or folded in the dry leaves of Dragons, preserves the same from being mouldy, or from putrifying. *Galen* and *Pliny*.

59. It is certainly and constantly affirmed, That on *Midsummer-Eve*, that is, the day before the Nativity of *St. John Baptist*, there is found under the Root of Mugwort a coal, which preserves or keeps them safe from the Plague, Carburcle, Lightning, the Quartan Ague, and from Burning, that bears the same about them: And *Mizaldus* the Writer hereof, saith, That he doth hear that it is to be found the same day under the Root of Plantane; which I know to be of truth, for I have found them the same day under the Root of Plantane. Which is especially,

especially, and chiefly to be found at Noon.

60. The dross, or that which is left after the passing out of the Oyl of Linseed, is marvelous profitable for the feeding of Beasts : And if you shall let a handful or two steep a while in Rain Water, and therewith wash your hands, it will not only mend the spots, or other deformity of the skin, but also you shall thereby perceive that the same and other Members, if they be likewise wash'd therewith, will be made much fairer and more clean. *Mizaldus.*

61. All things that come out of the Earth, will swim upon Quick-silver, though they be heavy, except Gold ; and Gold, though never so little, will sink into it, and be swallowed thereof, and his colour will be turned into silver, which cannot be reduced into the form of Gold again, but with fire, nor cannot be gotten out : and the Quick-silver, through the fire, will be dissolved into a smoak, with a perillous smell. *Mizaldus.*

62. Salt finely stamped and mixed with fasting-spittle, laid on a fillet (and applied certain times) to the place where superfluous hair is, doth cause that hair will grow there no more. A thing certainly proved. Pigeons-dung doth work the like effect, applied in such sort.

63. *Aqua Vite*, mixt with White Sugar-candy, finely powdered, so that it be not too thick thereof, but indifferent, and a spoonful thereof taken last at night, for the space of three or four night, doth presently help the Cough and Hoarsness, and breaks the Flegm marvellously ; this is a tryed thing. The like effect hath the Pouders of the Root of *Ennula-*

campana, mixt with the powder of Liquoris, and of White Sugar-candy, if it be often used, and eaten, a spoonful at one time ; which I have often proved.

64. They are like to be Gowty, or to have the Sciatica, or pains in the Joynts, in whose Nativity *Saturn* or *Mars* is in the sixth House, or in the twelfth House, infortunating the Lord of the sixth House ; especially if the sign of the sixt House be *Capricorn*, *Aquary* or *Pisces*. *Jatromath. Guat. Ryff.*

65. Whosoever have their feet smell strongly, if they put the scales of Iron in their shooes wherein they use to go ; it takes clean away the evil smell thereof. *George Fabricius.*

66. You shall stay the bleeding of the Nose, if you write with the same blood in the fore-head of the Party that bleeds, these words following, *Consummatum est*. A thing proved with many. *Mizald.*

67. If Boyes or Young-men do use Milk and Exercise from the Cradle, they are thereby more high or tall of body, and of more comely and beautiful stature. *Mizaldus.*

68. The powder of the Tooth of a Boar mix'd with the Oyl of Linseed, doth presently cure the *Squinancy*, (which is a pain or swelling in the throat) if the grieved place be touched with the end of a feather or Pen, smicared with the same mixture. *Mizaldus.*

69. The outward part of the Nettle, doth sting, prickle, or burn ; but the inward part (being the Juycy) anointed on the Arteries, doth mittigate and amend the Feaverly heat of the Heart. *Avicena & Arnold. de Villa nova.*

70. If the corners of the Eyes be anointed with an Oyntment of Saffron, if after the spettle doth savour thereof, the Party is not barren, but is apt to have Children. *Pliny.*

71. A Medicine made of a little Honey and of a Coal made of a Vine, which never bare Grapes, if the teeth be often rubbed therewith, doth so cleanse them and make them so White, that they will be judged to be of Ivory. +

72. The blood of a White Hen, smeared on a freckled or spotted face, and thereon suffered to dry, and afterward wiped away, clearly takes away all spots from the same. *Mizaldus* had this of a certain *Italian.*

73. *Cantharides* wrapt in a Spiders-web, and hanged over one that hath the Quartain Ague; it is said it Cures or delivers him, or her, thereof perfectly. *Mizaldus.*

74. The Decoction of Holliock, with Honey and Butter, being drunk, doth marvellously ease the pain of the Collick, and of the Back. I have proved this to be very excellent and true.

75. A Plaister made of the powder of burned Swallows, and of their Nest, doth help effectually the swellidg of the Throat, or Squinancy. +

76. If the Pizel of a Bull that is all Red, be made in powder, and a dram thereof (that is the weight of seventy two barley-corns) be given to a Woman in a draught of Wine, it will make her loath to have to do with a Man (as *Basis* writes.) And the same Powder given in meet Medicines to a Man, doth contrary, stir and make him lust therein. *Marcellus Empericus.*

77. If Dogs chance to find a Cats-skin, they will rub and roul themselves upon it ; and they will do so likewise where it is buried : They delight so much of the thing dead, which they hated alive. *Cardanus.*

78. You shall know good and pure Azure from sophistificate and nauty Azure, if some of it be laid upon a hot burning Iron, and if then it will not be burned, neither any little stone is found therein, then it is pure and perfect. *Mizaldus* had this out of an old written Book.

79. The white of an Egg well and long beaten, mixt with quick Lime, will joyn surely broken Glasses, and broken Earthen Cups, and will make them hold fast and surely together. But it would be the better if a little of very old Cheese be well wixt therewith. This is very true, and proved.

80. Plantane is judged by *Hermes*, to be the herb of *Mars*, and therefore good against the Diseases and Pains of the Head, because that the sign of *Aries*, which is one of the Houses of *Mars*, doth govern the Head. And also Plantane is very good against the grief and diseases of the Stone, and the Ulcers of the Bladder ; and also *Gonorrhea passio*, and Hemorrhoids, because *Scorpio* the other House of *Mars*, doth rule that part of the body. Like Judgments may be had of other Herbs of the Planet. *Mizaldus.*

81. If the right knee of a Bull be very strait tyed, he cannot Bull a Cow, although before his eyes, she allure him thereto with her Mouing. *Mizaldus.*

82. If a married man be let or hindered, through Incantment, Sorcery, or Witchcraft, from the act of

of Generation, let him make Water through his Marriage Ring, and he shall be loosed from the same, and their doings shall have no further power in him, *Guil. Varignana*, and *Arnaldus de Villa nova* affirms the same.

83. Whoso use to rub their fingers between their toes of their feet, when they go to bed, especially when they smell most, and then to smell the same at their Nose; it is a perfect remedy to put away the Cramp. This was affirmed to me, as a tryed thing.

84. A Candle burning, holden or put to a house or place, wherein a piece of Salt-peter is put, the said Candle will suddenly be blown out. And the same Candle, immediately put to another place, wherein is Brimstone, will be light and burn again, to the great marvel of them that stand by, if they be ignorant of the secret. *Mizaldus*. But the snuff of the Candle must not be clean out,

85. That Writings shall not burn in the fire, take very strong Vinegar, and the whites of Eggs, and put them together, and put thereto Quick-silver, mixing and stirring the Quick-silver well therein, and with the same mixture, anoint Paper three times, and after every time dry the same well: and after that, write what you list upon the same Paper, and then cast the same writing into the fire, it will not burn. This *Mizaldus* had out of an old book.

86. Cut or break a white-loaf in the midst, when it comes hot out of the Oven, and lay it to the Ear of such as have any quick thing in their Head, and it will bring it out, shifting it still with hot Bread, until all the quick things be come forth. This is proved to be true,

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X 87. The little bone in the knee joynt of the hinder-leg of an Hare doth presently help the Cramp, if you touch the grieved place therewith. Often proved.

88. A little piece of the Tongue of a Fox, being moistned and made soft in Vinegar, (if it be dry) draweth out a thorn or any other thing deep in the flesh, if it be laid upon the place where it is. It is an excellent and true thing.

89. When the sign of the sixth House is in *Libra*, and *Mars* in the same House, it signifies Grief, and pain of the Eyes. *Jatromath. Guar. Ryff.*

90. *Julius Viator*, a Knight of *Rome*, (*Pliny* being the Author) who in his Childhood had the Dropsie, therefore then forbidden of the Physicians to use moist things, did so overcome nature, through continuance or long use, that all the time of his life after he lived without drinking any thing.

91. The three cornered-stone of a Carp, which is to be found in the hinder part of the Head, nigh unto the neck, beaten small, and blown into the Nose, doth stay the bleeding of the Nose, by his binding faculty: which may be perceived by the tasting thereof. This hath been proved, and I know it to be true. *Mizaldus.*

92. The Head of a Cat that is all black, burned in a new pot, and fine ashes or pouders made thereof, add some of the same thrice every day blown out of a quill into the Eye that hath either Web or Pearl, or any other evil or grief in the same, is a most excellent help and remedy therefore. But if the Party feel any burning in his or her Eye (especially in the night) let three or four Oaken-leaves steeped

steeped or moistned in water, be laid together upon the sore or grieved Eye, and let the same be afterward turned and laid on again. The Author of this secret, said, That the sight is restored with this Remedy, after a whole years blindness. This was told to *Mizaldus*.

93. Here follows an excellent Remedy for all Wounds, and easie to be made: Take Greek Pitch, Brimstone, and white Olibanum, which is a kind of Frankincense, of all a like quantity: let them be stamped and mixt with the Whites of Eggs, then (the Wound being first washt, and the lips thereof well joyned together) lay the same mixture on a linnen cloth, and apply it to the Wound, and tye the same fast on with cloaths, or broad bands; and let it lie so certain dayes unremoved: Proved, saith *Mizaldus*.

94. White Lillies will wax red, as *Florentinne* hath taught, if warily and diligently you open the clefts of the Roots, and fill the same with any red colour; and so then set the same in a fat dunged-earth. *Mizaldus*.

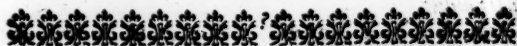
95. Women that use to lye and sleep on their right side, seldom or never bring forth any wenchies. *Rasis* writes this.

96. Whosoever is anointed for the *Neapolitane* Disease (commonly called the *French-Pox*) if he hold in his mouth a Ring of Gold, or else another piece of Gold, and rouls the same about his mouth with his tongue, the Quick-silver that is in his body by the means of the Oyntment, is drawn of the said Gold, and is so wrapt about the said Ring or Gold, that when it is taken out of his mouth, it shall

shall seem as though it were all silver. And the same Ring or other Gold, will not be restored to his former brightness or colour, except it be put into the fire. *Lemnius.*

97. Snails without their shells, or otherwise with their shells stamped and mixed sometimes with Cheslep or Rennet, do draw out thorns, or any other thing out of the flesh, though never so deep, if they be appried to the place. And also being laid to the Belly of them that have the Dropsie, they suck out the water. But the same must not be loosed from the Belly, until all the humours or water be sweat forth, or else the same Plaister of Snails doth fall away of it's self. *Jacob Hollerius.*

The end of the First Book.



The Second Book.

W^{1.}Hen the *Moon* is in Conjunction with the *Sun*, or in any evil Aspect with him, and in an Angle, and beholden of evil Planets with an evil Aspect, in any bodies Nativity. It signifies that the Child then born, shall have inseparable diseases, or griefs in the Eyes. *Patromash. Guat. H. Ryff. Argent.*

2. It is manifest by experience, That the seventh Male Child, by just order (never a Girle or Wench being born between) doth heal only with touching (through a natural gift) the Kings-Evil; which is a speci-

a special gift of God, given to Kings or Queens, as daily experience doth witness.

3. *Erastratus*, a Physician, did perceive by the feeling of the Pulse, that *Antiochus* the Son of King *Silencus*, did so pine for the love of *Stratonices* his Mother-in-law, that unless he might have his desire, with the good will and pardon of his Father, he would die. These are the Authors thereof, *Valerius Maximus* and *Galenus*. Which also by the like, did know that *Iusta*, the Wife of *Boetius*, a Counsellor of *Rome*, did languish for the love of one *Pilas* dancing in the Theatre. *Mizaldus*.

4. Celendine with the heart of a Want or a Mould-warp, laid under the head of one that is grievously sick, if he be in danger of death, immediately he will cry with a loud voice, or sing; if uot, he will weep. *Mizaldus*.

5. The Juyce of Henbane, mixt with the blood of an Hare, and sod within the skin of an Hare, it is said that all the Hares will gather together, which be within that Trace where it is buried. As the Matrix of a Bitch will gather Dogs together. This was affirmed for truth to *Mizaldus*.

6. Many Women with Child, of the sudden, or unlooked for, meeting, or sudden seeing of an Hare, or for the desire or longing to eat of the same, do bring forth Children with a cloven upper-lip, and forked-wise, called an Hare-lip. Daily experience confirms it. *Mizaldus*.

7. That Disease or Sicknes will be great, which takes one when the *Moon* is in that Sign, wherein an evil Planet was in the time of his Birth, either in a Quartile or Opposite Aspect: And if an evil Planet doth

doth then behold her, it will be very perillous. But then if the *Maon* be in a place where a good Planet was in the time of the Birth, that Sickness will be without danger. *Hermes, Trismegistus, Ptolomeus, and Claudius Galenus, Authors.*

8. An Egg laid in strong Vinegar three dayes, or a little longer: it makes the shell thereof so tender and soft, that one may draw it through a Ring. Cast the same into warm water, and let it lye therein, and it will be hard again. *Mizaldus.*

9. A Flint-stone lying in Vinegar the space of seven dayes; may be dissolved into powder by rubbing between the fingers. Therefore it is no marvel though *Hannibal* did dissolve the stones of the Alpes with Vinegar. *Mizaldus.*

10. Water wherein the leaves and seeds of Hemlock is sodden; being cast or sprinkled on the Earth will make the Worms to come out of the ground if any be there. *Mizaldus.*

11. Take the Oyl of Tartar, made of the Lees of excellent Wine, it doth take the spots from Iron, the Iron being cleansed from all rustiness, and doth make it of an excellent brightness, if the Iron be rubbed therewith. *Mizaldus.*

12. The Root of Henbane stamped, and applied warm to the pain of the Gout of the Feet, or *Sciatica*. It is said that it helps marvellously, because the Herb belongs to *Jupiter*, which is only Lord of *Sagittary*, which governs the Huckle-bone. And of *Pisces*, which challengeth the Feet. *Mizaldus* hath this out of an old Book of Secrets.

13. If some drops of *Aqua Vita* be mixt with Writing Ink, the same Ink will never be frozen. Proved.

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14. Whosoever is apt to any thing, hath certainly that Star or Planet, by whom that thing is signified, very strong in his birth. *Mizaldus*. As thus for example (I may say by the way.) He that is apt to Martial Feats, or Warlike Affairs, hath undoubtedly *Mars* strong in his birth. And whosoever is apt or inclined to Planting, Drawing, Writing, CIPHERING, or to the Science of Arithmetick, or to any witty or notable Inventions, without all doubt, hath *Mercury* very strong in his birth, which by daily proof is infallible. And so you may know of the rest.

15. The Wood of a Sycamore-tree, is never dry in the air, or high ground, and in the banks of Rivers; and where Waters run over, it dryes very quickly. *Mizaldus*.

16. The soles of the Feet anointed with the fat of the Dormouse, doth procure sleep, as *Aetius* doth say.

17. They will have pains in the Stomach, or be weak Stomach'd, in whose Nativities *Mars* and *Saturn* are in the sixth House: or in the twelfth House, infortunating the *Moon*, or the Lord of the *Ascendant*; especially if the sign of the sixth house be *Cancer*. *Paromath. Gnat. Ryff*.

18. This following is an excellent Remedy for them that be broken-bellyed, or bursten: Take nine red Snails, and put them between two Tile-stones, so that they slide not away, and dry them in an Oven, so that you make them in powder: then give to the diseased the powder of one of them, in white Wine every other day, in the morning, till all be done, which will be in eighteen dayes. The Party must

must take it fasting, and neither eat nor drink of two hours after. And if the disease be so long rooted, that these nine times will not suffice, then begin immediately again with other nine Snails, and do as before is declared in all points. I had this out of an old Book wherein was many Secrets, as I heard one affirm them to be true and tryed things.

19. Hempseed given to Hens in Winter, will make them lay Eggs apace. *Candanus.*

20. The Oyl of Tartar, doth take clean away all spots, freckles, and filthy wheals of the face, chin, or forehead, with his cleansing strength. This is proved.

21. When thou wilt drive away Flies from any place, that there shall none be seen there again, make the Image of a Fly in a plate of Brasse, Copper, or Tin, the second face of *Pisces*, then ascending. And whilst you are making and graving of them, say, *This is the Image which doth clean rid of Flies for ever.* Then bury the same in the midst of the house, or hang it in any place of the house (but if thou hast four such plates, and bury or hang them in four corners of the house, or hide them within the Walls, that no body take them away, it were far better.) But this laying of them must be when the first face of *Taurus* doth ascend. And so no Fly will come in there, nor tarry there. *Protolomy* saith, That he saw the tryal hereof in the House of King *Adonbarus*, who was very wise, and was marvellous expert in Natural Magick, in whose Palace or Place there was neither Fly, nor any other hurting Worm. And that I might search it out, saith he, I brought in thither live Flies, which presently died. *Mizab.*

22. Six or seven whites of Eggs put into troubled or thick Wine, and the same being well moved and stirred with a stick, makes the Wine fair and clear.

23. If a Rat, Mouse, or Weasel, or any other thing, suddenly leap or fall on the body of a Woman with child; or else any Cherries, or a cluster of Grapes, or other thing whatsoever, chance to fall or hit any part of her body; by and by, it haps that the Child is marked with some special note or mark in that part whereon they did fall or hit, except haply the Woman (on whose body the same did chance) wipe with her hand, suddenly, the part or member therewith touched, and lay her said hand in some other part further off. *Lemnius*. There are few Women but know this to be true, and many have found it too true. As two or three strange examples in this Book do shew most wonderfully.

24. Burning water, called *Aquaviva*, is of a marvellous force, in preserving of things, and keeping them from putrifying. For flesh or meats whatsoever moistned therewith, will be safe from corruption and worms.

25. If young Beasts eat of the leaves of an Ivy-tree, they die: but if they that chew the Cud, do eat thereof, they feel no harm. This is the opinion of *Theophrastus*. But *Pliny* doth ascribe it to the Ash-tree. But the likelihood and nearness of the words might deceive him. For the Ash-tree in the Greek tongue is *Milean*, and the Ivy-tree in *Milton*. *Lizaldus*.

26. A Gentleman in *Glocester-shire*, having a Daniel, which scraping a hole in the ground where a great deal of Money was; he brought some in his

mouth to his Master; and when he had taken from him, the Dog took hold of his Masters cloaths and lead him to the place, where the Gentleman found a great quantity of Gold, whereby he became very Rich, and bore a great Affection to his Dog alwayes after: But his Dog died, and he was resolved to give him Burial, and so had him wound in a Sheet, and put into a Coffin, and invited the Parson, Clerk, and most of the Parish (telling them that it was one of his Servants.) The Parson buried him: But afterwards, hearing that it was a Dog came to the Gentleman, and threatned to have him into the Spiritual Court, for making him give Christian burial to a Dog: The Gentleman said, *Why his Dog had made his Will before he died, and bequeathed him Ten pounds, and the Clerk Forty shillings.* Ob (said the Parson) *if I had known that, I would have Preached him a Funeral Sermon.*

27. Whosoever will preserve Chesnuts, and keep them safe and sound, let them lay, and mix them with Walnuts; for they will drink up and consume such humours whereby they corrupt; and they will not suffer them to wax mouldy. *Mizaldus.*

28. Knot-grass is thought to be the herb of the *Sun*, whereupon it helps greatly all the Diseases of the Heart, and the mouth of the Stomach; whereof *Leo* the Lyon is governour, which is the Heart of the *Sun*; and it is very good against the griefs of the Back, the Stone, and the Collick, by drinking of it, or by injection; It was affirmed *Mizaldus*, that it was found true by experience.

29. An Herb called Hound-stone, joyned with the Matrix of a Bitch, being so tyed to the neck

a Dog

a Dog, that he cannot get it away ; you shall see him turn about so long, that he will fall down and seem to be half dead. *Alber.*

30. When the *Scythians* were constrained to sustain hunger for any certain matter, or urgent cause, they girded in their bellies with broad bands, that no emptiness left in their belly or guts, their hunger might the less grieve them ; for through the hard binding in of the belly, hunger is the more tolerable : Whereupon it is seen, that they that eat much, do loose or unbutton their doublets, and loose their garters. *Phavorinus.*

31. The Elephant seeing a Ram, is by and by tame, and leaves his fierceness ; with which Policy the *Romans* caused the Elephants of King *Pyrrhus* to return and go backward ; and so the *Romans* obtained a worthy Victory. *Mizaldus.*

32. The Paring of an Apple, cut something thick, the inside whereof laid to hot burning or running Eyes, at night, when the Party goes to bed, and tyed or bound to the same, doth help the same very speedily, and contrary to expectation : An excellent Secret.

33. A certain Priest, having a loving Dog, was killed for his Money, and thrown among bushes, or some other privy place ; which Dog so mourned for his said Master, that he would not depart from him, but howled, so that the dead body was found ; which dead body was brought afore certain men to be viewed, to which place divers people resorted. Amongst whom the murderer must needs shew himself (lamenting outwardly the matter, with the rest of the standers by, as though he had been as

guiltless as the rest) whom, when the said Dog perceived, he bark'd, and did run at him fiercely, and by no means would leave his barking, howling, and running at him, and following after him, and none other, shewing (in his manner) that that was he that killed his Master. Whereupon being suspected, he was examined, who forthwith confessed his wicked fact, and therefore was executed. Saint *An-
stine* affirms this, as I do remember.

34. If both the Lights (that is to say) the *Sun* and the *Moon*, be in the sixth House infortunate, they that be then born without doubt will be blind. And if but one of them be there, and infortunate, then the Child will be blind but of one Eye. And likewise it will be, if either of the said Lights be Lord of the sixth House infortunate. And universally, their Eyes cannot escape great hurt, in whose Nativity the said Lights are impedit. *7athromath.*

35. This following will presently ease the pains of the Gout, Fry out the grease of Shoemakers-patches, or pieces of Leather; and lay some of it upon brown-Paper, warming it a little at the fire; then apply the same to the grief, and it will take away the pains in one night: I had this of them that have proved it often to be true.

36. If Sheep chance to eat of an Herb called Knot-grass, it will make their bellies swell: and they will avoid out of their mouths, a thin stinking froath; therefore they must be let blood under the Tayl next to the Buttock. *Collumella.*

37. There is many do things in their sleep, that they that be awake use to do; For they will walk about the House and Chamber, and will go to the other

other folks beds, and dare do any thing without fear : whereof there are many daily examples. But one among all the rest (which was credibly told me) was marvellous strange, & almost incredible. Which was, that two men lying in bed together, the one of them being fast asleep, took the keyes and unlocked the doors, and the gate of the house, and so took his Bow and arrows, and went to a Wood or Chase about a mile from thence, and killed a Buck or a Doe, and then did cover or hid the same in the Wood ; and then came home again, unlocking and locking the gates and doors again, and laid the keys where he had them, and so went to bed. The other man that lay with him, being awake, followed him and did see all that he did : but he would not go to bed, but staid a while in another place to see the end thereof : And as soon as the other was in his bed, he took his dagger, stabbing and thrusting therewith in the bed, where the other man did lye, and by and by after awaking, said, Alas, what have I done, I have killed him ? The other answered, Nay, I am not kill'd yet, thanks be to God. Then said he, for I was a dreamed that I killed a Buck in such a place, and that thou didst see me where I did kill him, and hide him ; and thinking thou wouldst bewray me, I thought to kill thee ; but I am glad (said he) that it was but a dream. Then the other said, If it were a dream, thy dream is then true ; for thou hast performed all thy dream, except the killing of me ; which he would not believe until the next day : then he that lay with him, carried him to the place where he himself told that he did hide the Buck. Where indeed they found the Buck killed, as he before told

in his Dream. A marvellous matter, if it were true.

38. They will have pains or diseases in their Liver, in whose Nativity *Jupiter* is Lord of the sixth house, being evil aspected of an infortunate Planet. *Jatromath.*

X 39. If shell Snails be roasted, and dried at the fire, or in an Oven, and made into powder, and a spoonful thereof drunk in Ale at one time, and so taken nine or ten dayes together, it doth perfectly helpe and cure the black Jaundies. Proved.

40. If you stamp Earth-worms, and then strain them thorow a cloth, then put to the same as much of the Oyl of Radish-roots, and between the beating or framing of Swords, or Knives, or Daggers, when they be hot, you do quench them twice or thrice therein, the same shall cut Iron after, as though it were Lead. This *Mizaldus* had of a Physician that was cunning in that Art.

41. Stinking and corrupt Wine will be marvelously mended, if according to the bigness of the vessel, a sufficient quantity of clean Wheat in a bag, be hanged in the said vessel, and after be taken out of the same. For whatsoever is unclean or naught the Wine will be made pure and clear. *Pistorius.*

42. The uttermost or last Joynt of the Tayl of a young Whelp, after he is forty dayes old, being writhen off; the same Dog will never be mad. Besides that his tayl will be thereby of a comly length. *Mizaldus.*

43. If you bore holes in Bay-berries, and put into every hole the seeds of Artichokes, and wrap them with dung, and so put them into the Earth, thou shalt have so sweet and pleasant smelling Artichokes.

chokes, that nothing can be of a more sweet and pleasant smell. *Varro*. The same will happen, if you do steep seeds three dayes in sweet smelling water. *Mizaldus*.

44. Butter, *Aqua vita*, and Beasts Gall, of each a like quantity mixt together; and an Ach or Stitch anointed therewith something hot, every morning and evening, for seven or eight dayes, doth perfectly help the same. Proved.

45. *Galen* saith, That he knew certain men in his time, that gave the powder of Mans bones burned, to them that had the Falling-sickness; they not knowing of it, lest their minds should stand against the Medicine, and many was cured with the same. *Gesnerus* hath proved it with the Scull.

46. If the little Nerve under a Whelps-tongue (commonly called the greedy-worm) be taken away, keeps the same safe after from being mad, and he will not be given so much to barking after: and so it is thought they will not be given to greediness after.

47. If you prick the head of a Leek with a Reed or a stick sharpened, and put within the same the seeds of Rape, or of Cucumbers, the said Leeks head will so swell, that it will seem monstrous.

48. *Etites* (called the Eagles-stone) tyed to the Left arm or side; it brings this benefit to Women with Child, that they shall not be delivered before their time: besides that, it brings love between the Man and the Wife: And if a Woman have a painful Travel in the birth of her Child, this stone tyed to her thigh, brings an easie and light birth: but you must take it away quickly after the Birth.

The same Stone, as the *Caldeans* report, if it be mixt with Meats unvenomed, it forbids or lets that the same Meat be swallowed down. *Evax & Alb.*

49. The People of *Astamores* (as *Pliny* reports) have no Mouth; and are clad with a woolly moss growing in *India*, and live only with smelling of odours at their Nose, of Roots, and flowers, and Apples that grow in the Woods; which they carry with them in their long Journies. to sustain and nourish them withal, lest they should want thereof to smell.

50. The powder of Stone-pitch, drank in small-drink once every day, for the space of four or five dayes; it is a very good Remedy for them that are Bruised through falling, or otherwayes.

51. When the *Sun* is in the day time, and the *Moon* in the night, in a Nativity, and is corporally conjunct with any evil Planet; the Child that is then born will be blind. And if this be in an Angle, or if the Lord of the Ascendent be with them, then they will be blind in their youth. And if the said *Sun* so infortunate be not in an Angle, nor with the Lord of the Ascendent, then they will be blind in their age. *Patromath. Guat. Ryff.*

52. Three Nails made in the vigil of the Nativity of *St. John Baptist*, called Midsummer-Eve, and driven in so deep that they cannot be seen, in the place where the Party doth fall that hath the Falling sickness, and naming the said Parties Name while it is doing, doth drive away the Disease quite. Which *Mizalaus* writes from the report of one that proved it.

53. If you will presently turn Wine into Vinegar,

gar, cast therein Salt and Pepper, mixt with sowre leaven, and it will perform it quickly. *Mizald.*

54. The Root of Vervain hanged at the Neck of such as have the Kings-Evil, it brings a marvellous and an unexpected help. It is an Herb of *Venus*, and hath power of the Neck, because of *Taurus* the *Bull*, being her House. *Mizaldus.*

55. Whosoever falls sick in that year wherein there is an Eclipse, and the Signifiers of the said Eclipse be in the Ascendent of the Nativity of him that so falls sick, or in the Ascendent of his Revolution, or in the place of his Hilech, or of the Signifier of his life; that Disease then taken, will be very perillous and deadly. *Mizaldus.*

55. Geese, Ducks, and other Water-Fowls, help their Diseases with Wall Sage; Henns with Wind; Geese with Haritch; the Cranes with Squinant; the Panther with Mans-dung; the Bear with Ivy; the Hart with Artichokes; the Dogs with Grass: Also *Pliny* saith, That the smell of Crabs will kill Bees, especially, if that one doth seeth them nigh unto their Hives; for they abhor stinking smells: therefore they follow them fiercely that smell of stinking smells.

56. If Children eat Raisons fasting, that have Worms (without any other meat) it will kill and avoid the Worms: For as bitter things are noysome unto them, even so are sweet things, it makes them to swell, and burst.

57. If the tender horns of young Bucks, that are covered with a thin hairy skin, be cut in pieces, and then put into a new Pot well covered, and set in an Oven (or other place that is hot) whereby the same

same may be made into powder, and some of the same given with Pepper and Myrrh, to them that are tormented with the Chollick, in good Wine: it will help them marvellously of the same Disease. *Scribonias Largus.*

58. Pellitory of the Wall stamped, and so laid to the Cods, and under the Navel; and so used four or five times, helps the Collick and the pains of the Bladder and Cods. A thing often proved.

59. It is said that *Alphons, King of Castile*, gave to certain *Mathematicians*, an hundred thousand pieces of Gold; which were called or sent for out of *Araby, Affrick*, or other places, for the making and framing of the *Astronomical Tables* (which shews the continual Course and Place of the Stars and Planets) which work is to be had every where through his great liberality, to his perpetual praise.

60. *Calbanum* made softer, and spread upon a linnen cloth, and so applyed and laid upon a Plague Sore; if the Disease be cureable, it will so stick and cleave to the same, that it cannot be pluck'd away, unless it bring away the root of the Sore with it. But if the Disease be incurable, it will not cleave. *Arnold. de villa nova.*

61. If any will make their hands white, let them mix the dung of Sparrows in warm water, and wash them therewith; or let them seeth the Roots of Nettles in that water, and therewith wash their hands.

62. *Aliquis* writes, That the Quills or Pens of an Eagle, mixt with the Quills or Pens of other Fowles or Birds, doth consume or waste them with their odour, smell, or air.



63. The Roots of Lillies sodden in water, doth take away the Redness of the Face: If certain mornings and evenings the same be washt and rubbed therewith, This hath been often proved.

64. Beasts that be stubborn and wild, and also Horses that will wince or kick, or otherwise be unruly, will not suffer themselves to be drest, or to be shod, if you put into one of their ears a little round Flint-stone, and then hold the ear hard with your hand, and it will make them quiet though they be fierce. But if you put into either Ear one, you shall have them as mild as a Sheep. *Mizaldus* had this as proved.

65. Any Stones will easily be made soft, if you lay them all night in the blood of an Ox, the fat of a Weather, and strong Vinegar mixt together. *Johann Baptist Porta, de Magia Naturali*. As *Mizaldus* writes.

66. Apples that are frozen, if they be put or cast into cold water, and suffered to lay therein a while, will come to the Nature again; for thereby, all their frozen congealing will be resolved. *Lemnius*.

67. When you see the Mulberry-tree begin to bud, then think that the chief cold is past. *Plinius* as *Mizaldus* affirms.

68. To separate Gold from Silver, do thus: Anoint the Silver that is gilded with the Oyl of Linseed, and sprinkle thereon the powder of Roch Al- lum, and salt Armoniack mixt together, which being well heated in the fire, and quenched in water, the separate Gold will remain therein. *Mizaldus* had this of a cunning Goldsmith.

69. A green Jasper-Stone, hanged at the neck, doth

doth help strengthen the stomach and the mouth of the stomach very well. Which *Galen* affirms by the report of *Mizaldus*. If they be hanged like a chain about the Neck, so that the same stones do touch the mouth of the stomach.

70. If the head of a Wolf be hanged in a Dove-House, neither Cats, Wesells, nor any thing that will hurt Pigeons, will enter therein. *Rasis & Albertus*.

71. They are like to have pains or diseases in the Lights or Lungs, or will have the Ptsick, or be short breathed, that have in their Nativity the *Moon* in the Angle of the Earth (which is the fourth house) in conjunction with *Mars* or *Saturn*, or is unfortunate by them. And likewise if *Venus* be the Lady of the sixth house, and unfortunate in a fiery sign. *Paromath. Guat. Ryff*.

72. If you stamp Hariffe a little, and lay it in fair Spring-water for the space of twenty four hours and then wash any sore or scabby place therewith, it will heal it wonderfully. This is proved true,

73. A precious and proved Medicine for the Stone: Seeth in white Wine, Thyme and Parsley very well, then strain it; and into a good draught thereof, shave a spoonful of white Soap, and give it to them that are grieved with the Stone, and it will cause them to make water with speed.

74. The great number of Spiders do fore-shew that the Summer following will be pestiferous and plaguy. *Mizaldus*.

75. There were seen two Brethren at one Birth in *Austria*, that if they did set the sides of their Bodies towards Gates or Doors that were lock'd, the Locks would then open.

76. *Carduus Benedictus* stamped, and then well sodden with Sewet, or Swines Grease, Wine, and Wheat Flower, until it be like an Oyntment, is an excellent Medicine for Sores and Ulcers whatsoever. Yea, though the bones therewith be bare, but you must anoint the Sores twice every day, washing first the corruption from the Sore with white Wine. *Arnoldus.*

78. Saint *Austin* reports, that he did hear, whilst he travelled in *Italy*, that certain women were transformed into young Beasts (by certain Travellers) by eating of Ceeese, that they might carry their burthens.

79. Take one handful of Mugwort, and seeth it in sweet Oyl-Olive, until the third part of the Oyl be consumed; then anoint therewith any part that is tormented or pained with the Gout, and the pain thereof will be quickly gone or put away. This is an experiment of a Kings Surgeon, against the Gout of the Feet and Hands. *Mizaldus.*

80. It is found by observation, That Rats and Dormise, will forsake old and ruinous houses, three Months before they fall; for they perceive, by an instinct of nature, that the joynts and fastning together of the Posts and Timber of the Houses, by little and little will be loosed, so that it will fall to the ground. *Plinius & Lemnius.*

81. If one bleed on the right side of the Nose, bow and press hard the Parties right little finger that bleeds: If on the left side, then the little finger in like case, for therewith the bleeding will cease. This is a common and proved Remedy. *Mizaldus.*

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82. If you give half a scruple (which is the weight of twelve Barley-corns) of pure Corra made first in fine Pouder, with the Nurse-milk, to a Child that is newly born, before it taste any other thing, the same Child will never have the Falling sickness. *Arnoldus de Villa nova.*

83. One *Baldus* of *Trident*, Doctor of both Laws; as he was playing with a little Whelp of his own, the same did bite him a little in the nether lip who being ignorant that his said Dog was infected with madness; he himself, within four Months after, became mad, and at the last, being past remedy did die miserably. *Andreas Matheolus, in Diascoridem*, which let them mark and consider that have such pleasure in little Puppyes. *Mizald.*

84. Whosoever is tormented with the Sciatick or Gout, let them take an Herb called Speregraff and stamp it, and lay a little thereof upon the grief but put upon it a Cockle or a Walnut-shell, and tie something on it that the Herb be not removed; and within six or eight hours at the most, it will make a great blyster on the same place. Then lay a Clove leaf, or else a Wort-leaf on the same, but first let the water out of the blyster with a Pin, and it will draw out all the water that causeth the Pain or Grief. This helpt one that was pained therewith twenty years.

85. *Bretius* after *Oppianum*, doth affirm, The Bells covered with the skin of a Wolf, do drown the sound of other Bells that are covered with the skin of a Lamb.

86. Put two or more quick Mice in a long deep Earthen-pot, and set the same nigh unto

fire made of Ash-wood ; when the Pot begins to be hot, the Mice therein will chirp or make a noise, whereat all the Mice that are nigh them, will run towards them, and so will leap into the fire, as though they should come to help their poor imprisoned friends and neighbours. The cause whereof *Mizaldus* ascribes to the smoke of the Ash-wood.

87. If you seeth the dregs, or mother, or foam of Oyl to the half, and therewith anoint the bottom, corners, and feet of any Chest or Press, the Cloaths that you lay therein, shall never be hurt with Moths, so that it be dry before you put your Cloathes therein. *M. Varo*, and *Cato*.

88. If you would not have hairs to grow, pluck them up first by the Roots, then use to rub the same place with *Aqua Fortis* divers times, a little at once, and it will stay the hair from growing there any more : A Woman told me this for a great secret.

89. Make a Plaister of Potters-clay, mixt with Vinegar, and the white of an Egg, and apply it to the Cods of him that bleeds at the Nose, and straightway his bleeding will stay or cease. This is a sure proved Medicine.

90. Give to a Woman (that suspects her self to be with Child, at night when she goes to bed) a clove of Garlick to eat ; and if she feel any savour thereof in the morning when she riseth, then she is not with Child : If she feel no savour thereof, then she is with Child. This I had out of an old written Book.

91. They will have weak and feeble Hearts, or will be much given to Swoounding, in whose Nativity the *Sun* is Lord of the sixth House, or Lord of the

the part or infirmity, being impeditè or infortunate.
Patromath. Guat. Ryff.

92. An excellent and approved thing to make them Slender that are Gross : Let them eat three or four Cloves of Garlick, with as much of Bread and Butter every morning and evening, first and last, neither eating nor drinking of three or four hours after their taking of it in the morning, for the space of fourteen dayes at the least ; and drink every day three draughts of the Decoction of Fennel ; that is, of the Water wherein Fennel is sod and well strained, fourteen dayes after, at the least, at morning, noon, and night : I knew a man that was marvellous gross, and could not go a quarter of a mile, but was enforced to rest him a dozen times at the least, that with this Medicine, took away his grossness, and afterwards could go a Journey on foot.

The End of the Second Book.



The Third Book.

I.

FIve Eggs laid in the evening, in strong and tart Vinegar, and taken out of the same the next morning, so that you perceive their shells therewith to be something soft, else let them lye longer therein, and then put or thrust them down into the throat of a Horse that hath the Cough, his tongue being holden all that while out of his mouth, will heal him perfectly of the same.

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2. The Turtle-Doves have such a love one to another (being Mates) that when one of them is dead, the other will never after have any other Mate. *Aristo.*

3. A certain Woman, a *Florentine*, was so pulled and griped in her Stomach with such torments, that no Physician could help, which Woman of a sudden, did vomit long and crooked Nails, needles of Brass, with Wax, and lumps of Hair; and at the last she avoided out of her Mouth a great fleshy piece, such a one as a Gyant could not swallow. The Author hereof is, *Benivenens de admirandis morborum causis*. But he saith, That the said Woman was possesst of a wicked Spirit. *Mizald.* (Which I believe was done by the Devil.)

4. *Pliny* reports, That men in ancient time did fasten upon the Gates of their Towns, the Heads of Wolves, thereby to put away Witch-craft, Sorcery, or Enchantment: Which many Hunters observe or do at this day; but to what use, they know not.

5. A Mole or Want enclosed in an Earthen-pot, if you set then the powder of Brimstone on fire, she will call other Moles or Wants to help her, with a very mourning voice. *Mizaldus.*

6. If you take an Oak-Apple from an Oak-tree, and in the same you shall find a little Worm; which if it doth flye away, it signifies Wars: If it creeps, it betokens scarceness of Corn: If it run about, then it fore-shews the Plague. This is the Country-mans Astrology, which they have long observed for truth. *Mizaldus.*

7. If a man be sick, mark his Eyes when he slee-
th, for if any White things appear betwixt the

Eye-lids, and the Patient have no great Lax, nor received any Purgation before, it is a terrible and deadly sign. *Aphor. Hippoc.*

8. Whosoever is troubled with the Cough, or shortness of Breath, let them drink a good draught something warm, of this following, thrice, every day first and last, and one hour after dinner, for the space of seven or eight dayes, and it will help them (God willing) for it is an excellent and often proved thing; Take of the Roots of *Enulacamp* cut in small pieces, of Hyssop and Penry-royal, and also of scraped Liquoras, of each two handfulls seeth them all in a gallon of pure and fair water until the water come to one pottle; then strain well, and keep it in a clean vessel, close stopp'd or covered, and so use it.

9. Sope mixt with a little Salt, helpeth perfectly a Fellon, uncome, or other Sore or swollen finger with speed. I know that this hath been well proved. *Mizaldus.*

10. The white of an Egg well beaten, and mixt with the powder of Mastich, helps Chapt Hands, they be anointed therewith.

11. Mousseare, any manner of way ministr'd to Horses, brings this help unto them, That they be not be hurt whilst the Smith is shoeing of them, therefore it is called of many, *Herba claverum*, the Herb of Nails. *Mizaldus.*

12. If a Firr-tree be touched, withered, or burnt with Lightning, it signifies that the Master or Mistriss thereof shall shortly die. *Servius.*

13. *Gal'en* saith, that he hath found by experience (following the opinions of many) when any

fall sick, and the *Moon* then be in the sign wherein a good Star (or Planet) was found in the time of his birth, without doubt he shall escape from such sickness? If in the place of an evil Star (or Planet) he will not escape. *Johannes Taysuier.*

14. Seeth the leaves of an Oak, and the middle-rind thereof in Water, and wash the head that is sore, or full of Pustles, therewith; and it will help it presently. This hath been often proved:

15. The Root of Pellitory of *Spain*, chewed between the Teeth a good while, will purge the Head and Gums very well, and fasten the Teeth; it will help the Head-ach and Tooth-ach, if it be used four or five times in a day, two or three dayes together. It is very true, and often proved.

16. Mark, that which is shorn from Scarlet, into powder, by drying it at the fire, or in an Oven, and then given to the Party that hath the Bloody-Flux to drink, half a pound thereof in red Wine: use this five or six times, and it will help him, or her, shortly and surely, God willing. This is well proved.

17. The Gall of a Partridge, annointed once a Month on the Arteries of the Temples of the head, so that it may penetrate and sink in, doth profit very much for the confirming of the Memory. *Simeon Lethi.*

18. If the tayl of a Wolf be buried, or put in the ground of any Town or Village, no Wolf will enter into that Town or Village. *Rasis.*

19. *Albertus* makes mention of a Well, That whatsoever is thrown into the same, is turned into a stone, whereof proof was made by *Frederick* the

first, who because he would not be deceived, threw into the same one of his Gloves, whereto first he put Wax, and sealed it with his own Ring; and the one half of the Glove, which was under the water, became stone, the other part above the water remained as it was before.

20. Many have proved, That a Saphire tyed to the Artery, doth put away the Heat in an Ague. And the same stone worn against the heart, doth preserve the bearer thereof from the Plague, and from venomous things. *Rasis & Albertus*, and other.

21. If one that hath eaten Garlick or Cummin-seed, breath on the face of a Woman that is painted, the colour will vanish away straight; if not, then her colour remains as it did before. *Lang.*

22. The leaves of an Elm-tree, or of a Peach-tree, falling before their time, do fore-shew or betoken a Murrain, or death of Cattel, *Cardanus*.

23. *Tiberius Cæsar*, who was an Emperor, of Rome when Christ suffered, when he awaked out of sleep, did see in the dark, as Cats do. *Suetonius*.

24. Whosoever eateth two Walnuts, two Figs, twenty leaves of Rue, and one grain of Salt, all stampd and mixt together, fasting, shall be safe from Poison and Plague, that day; which Antidote King *Mithridates* had used so much, that when he drunk Poyson, purposely to kill himself, it could not hurt him. *Plinius*.

25. If you will enclose seeds of divers kind either in Wax, or in some other fast matter, made something thin or small, shooting out at length (that is) as long as you would have the same to grow, and then putting the same in the ground, we

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dunged, a marvellous hedge will spring thereof. This is the workmanship and experiment of the Kings Gardiner. *Mizaldus.*

26. Grind Mustard with Vinegar, and rub it well and hard on the Palms of the Hands, or Soles of the Feet; and it will help and quicken forgetful persons. *Petrus Hispanus.*

27. A most notable and proved water to clarify the dimness of the Eyes or Sight, doth follow: Take the juyce of Fennel, Celendine, Rue, and Ey-bright, of each two ounces; Honey one ounce and an half: Aloes, Tutty, and Sarcacol, of each half an ounce: the Gall of a Chicken or Cock, two drams: Nutmegs, Cloves, and Saffron, of each one dram: Sugar-candy six drams: put all into a Limbeck of Glass, and destil it, and put of this Water into your Eyes once in the day, two or three drops at a time. And there cannot be a more precious thing for the Eyes than this. I know it by proof, and therefore I am the bolder both to praise it, and publish it abroad, to the great comfort of others. X

28. The threescore and third year of ones age, is counted to be a dangerous and perillous time, for that it doth pass seldom without danger of life, or without some other great misfortune. And it is observed in many examples. Hereof *Augustus Caesar* (as *Gellius* reporteth) was marvellous glad, that he had escaped that year of his Age: The cause may be, that the seventh year, and the ninth year (being *Anni Climacterici & critici*; which are Judicial years) multiplied together, makes the said number of 63. *Mizaldus.*

29. Seeth Ivy-berries in Vinegar, or in White-Wine,

Wine, and when they be well sod, sup of the same hot Liquor, and when it is cold spit it out, and sup more thereof. Whosoever doth thus, it helpeth the Tooth-ach.

✕ 30. Whosoever is Lame, and can neither go nor stir their Joynts, let them take of good *Aqua Composita*, and Oyl of Roses, of either a like quantity, mixt them both together, and anoint the grieved place therewith (morning and evening) until it be well, which will be within a while after, but rub the place with warmed cloathes well before. A thing often proved.

31. Whosoever hath *Mars* in his Horoscope or the Ascendent of the time of his Birth, certainly he will have a special Skar or Mark in his face. *Pro* Which I have tryed in many, and yet never found false.

32. The Circles of Cart-wheels, empty Carts, and the Comb on a Cocks head, do marvellously feare a Lyon, (being a most hardy or fierce Beast) but of all things he fears Fires, Torch-lights, or Fire brands. *Plinius, Elianus & ali.*

33. That Pigeons may not be hunted or killed of Cats at the Windows, or at every passage, and at every Pigeon-hole, hang or put little branches of Rue, for Rue hath a marvellous strength against wild Beasts: As *Didimus* doth say.

34. If the Tayl of a Wolf be hanged in a house, no Wolf will enter therein, neither will any Flye flye into the same. *Rafis.*

35. If a Mad-man use to laugh, it is a laudable sign; but if he be very sad, it is perillous. *Aphor Hippocrat.*



36. This Medicine following will procure a good stomach to meat; Take three drams of good Cinnamon, one dram of Mastich, one dram of the parings of Pomegranates, and half a dram of Galin-gale, and stamp all these together, and temper it with clarified Honey, and then use to eat as much thereof as a Nut every day (during ten dayes) fasting, and it will procure a good stomach, and also preserve and keep the same from any evil humours to breed therein. This is an excellent Medicine, and often proved, and easie to be made.

37. He will be weak in the act of Generation, in whose Nativity *Venus* is joyned with *Saturn*; especially in the tenth or eight House; or that the *Moon* is joyned with *Saturn*, is an evil Aspect of *Venus*; or if *Saturn* be in the sixth or twelfth House, in a moist sign infortunating *Venus*. *Patromath.*

38. If you mark where your right foot doth stand at the first time that you do hear the Cuckow, and then grave or take up the Earth under the same: Wheresoever the same is sprinkled about, there will no Fleas breed. *Pliny* by *Mizaldus* reports. And I know it hath proved true.

39. To make the counterfeit Mandrake, which hath been sold by deceivers, for much money, do thus as followeth: Take the great double root of Briony, newly taken out of the ground, and with a fine sharp knife, frame the shape of a man or woman of the same, with his stones and cods, and other members thereto, and when it is clean done, prick all these places with a sharp steel, as the head, the eye-brows, the chin, and the privities, and put into the said holes the seeds of Millet, or any other

that brings forth other small roots that do resemble hairs, (which Leek-seeds will do very well, or else Barley) after this put it into the ground, and let it be covered with Earth, until it have gotten upon it a certain little skin, and then thou shalt see a monstrous Idol, and hairy, which will become the Parties well, if it be workmanly or cunningly made or figured. *Mizaldus*. Another trim way for the like, is in the *Natural and Artificial Conclusions*, Englished by *Thomas Hill*.

40. Whosoever anoints his feet and hands with the grease of a Wolf, he shall not be hurt with any cold of his hands or feet so anointed. *Mizald*.

41. Five-leaved-grass, through *Jupiters* force, doth resist venom or poyson; whereof, if one leaf twice every day, morning and evening, be drunk with Wine; it is said to put away the Quotidian Ague: Three leaves the Tertian Ague: And four leaves the Quartan Ague. *Marcilus Ficinus*.

42. Vervin stamp and strained with Wine, Water, or Vinegar, and then given to a Woman that travels, or is in her labour, and cannot be delivered, it causeth speedy deliverance. *Trotula de passionibus mulierum*. And *Gilbertus* affirms the like, if it be drunk with Water.

43. A strange Medicine, and a rare Secret, for consuming the Web in the Eye, oftentimes proved; Take nine little Worms with many feet, (of some called Swine Lice) if they be touched they become round, as a button; they are to be found between the Bark and the Wood of old Timber, or Trees) stamp them with a little juyce of Woodbine, or Betony; then strain the same well, and let the Party that

that hath the Web in his Eye, drink it in a morning something warmed : do this three mornings together, and it will cure it perfectly (God willing.) This was told me for a very truth, by one that had proved it divers times.

44. This that followeth is a special Medicine for them that Swound, or are Faint at the Heart ; Take Rosemary, Sage, Betony, and Marjoram, of each one handful ; and seeth them in a Gallon or more of fair Water, till half the quarter be consumed ; then take away the Herbs, and put to the said Water a Pint of good Honey, and then scum it well, and put thereto an ounce of Stycadoes, tyed in a fair linnen cloth, and let it seeth a little while, and then take it out of the said Water, and put thereto an ounce of Cinamon, three quarters of an ounce of Nutmegs, and as much of Ginger in powder, and use to drink a good draught thereof, twice every day, something warm, first and last for the space of six or seven dayes : and then it helps perfectly.

45. They that have any Pains or Swelling in the Throat, let them take a Jews Ear (which is to be had at the Apothecaries) and lay it to steep in Ale a whole night, and let the Party drink a good draught thereof every day, once or twice, until they perceive themselves amended. A proved thing.

46. A strange matter, and a thing followeth worthy of memory : Whosoever hath the Kings Evil, and looks upon a certain Bird called *Gulgulus*, of a marvellous sharp and quick sight ; by and by, the same Bird doth draw to her the yellow vapours of Choller, and heals the Party perfectly, through a certain great benefit of Nature. But whereas, through

through a secret gift of Nature, she doth perceive or smell the diseased Party to come toward her, she will close her Eyes, and hide her Head under her Wings; not that she doth envy the Parties health, or loath to help him of his disease; but because she doth greatly fear the sharpness of the Humour, which the nearer the Party infected comes to her, the more it will pain her, and he the more eased: Therefore they were wont to sell this Bird to such as had that Disease, in some close thing, or covered, lest the Party should be healed for nothing. The Authors hereof, are, *Hiliodorus*, *Plutarchus*, *Aelianus*, *Suidas*, and *Pliny*, with *Lirannides*, and others. After him *Albertus* reports, That if this Bird refuse to look upon the diseased Party, it is a token that he shall die thereof: but if she look even upon him, she draws the Disease to her self; and then by and by, or soon after, she flying against the Sun, doth vomit it out of her. And thus she doth Cure the sick Party, and deliver her self from the same, through a certain marvellous benefit of Nature. But Learned men do much dissent in taking of this Bird: *Pliny* contends that it is *Icterus*; some do think that it is *Chlorens*, or *Chlorio*; which the Frenchmen call *Lorion* and *Loriot*: the best part of the Physicians defend, that it is *Charadrius*; some affirm that it is *Oriolus*; others say it is *Galbulus*, or *Galbula*, or *Chloris*, which *Gesner* likes not: and *Mizaldus* leaves it to the judgement of the Doctors or Learned, until experience shall try the truth thereof. *Mizaldus in suis Mirabilibus seu Arcanis.*

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and strained, and the said Juyce put into a little white Wine warmed, and given them to drink that have the Stone, or cannot make Water, it avoids the Gravel or Stone, and makes them to make water presently. Use it three or four times.

48. One may make beyond-sea Azure, as followeth, and counterfeit it very well: Take common Azure, and beat or stamp it well with Vinegar, and anoint therewith a thin Plate of pure Silver, and put the same over a Vessel full of Urine, which set over hot Ashes and Coals, and let it be moved and stirred, until it be like beyond-sea Azure. This is the best way. *Mizaldus* affirms, that he had this out of an old written Book.

49. If you do put Quick-silver into a Pot amongst seething or hot Pease, the Pease will leap out of the Pot, except the brim or mouth of the Pot, be too high, or the fire too small. *Mizaldus* saith, that this is proved.

50. Savory beaten and sodden in Vinegar, and laid in manner of a Plaister to the hinder-part of the Head, doth merrily awaken those that are heavy a sleep.

51. Here followeth the making of a pleasant Oyl of Cloves; Take of Cloves one pound, which beat to powder in a brazen Morter; then add thereto three pound of Almonds scraped and beaten in a Morter; and when they be well mixed together, sprinkle thereon four ounces of the best White Wine, letting it so lye in a Mass, for the space of eight dayes at the least; after that stamp the whole over again, and then put it into a new Earthen-Pan, which heat over the fire so long, that you cannot

cannot suffer your hand in it ; then put it up into square bags, and wring the same hard in a Press, until all the whole substance of the Oyl be come.

52. Take a Frog, and cut her thorow the middle of the back with a knife, and take out the Liver, and fold it in a Colewort-leaf, and burn it in a new Earthen Pot well closed, and give the Ashes thereof unto him or her, that hath the Falling-sickness, to drink with Wine, and it will help him ; and if the Party be not healed at once, then do so by another Frog, and so do still, and without doubt, it will help him, if he use it : This was told me for a sure experiment. And it is also affirmed by *Petrus Hispanus*.

53. A wonderful thing passing all credit, chanced in the Bishoprick, or Diocess of them of *Eistertence*, in *Germany*, but that it was seen of divers credible witnesses : A certain Husbandman there called *Ulricke Neuceffer*, being tormented with cruel pains in one of his sides, suddenly took hold of a Nail that was under the skin, unhurt ; which cut by a Surgeon, he took out the Nail : yet for all that, the pains did not cease : wherefore the miserable man (suspecting that there was no Remedy to be had for his pain, but by death) he took a knife and cut his throat : And the third day after, he being carried to burying, there was there present, one *Eucharium, Rasenbader* of *Wessenburge*, and *John* of *Ettenstet*, Surgeons, in the presence of many, which did cut or open the Belly and Maw of the said dead Husbandman ; wherein was found (being marvellous and prodigious) a long and round piece of Wood, four Knives of Steel, partly sharp, and partly nickt like

like a Saw; and two sharp instruments of Iron, that were longer then a span; and they had therein also Hair rowled together as it were a round Bowle or Ball. This was laid or put into his Maw, by none other Art, but only by the craft and subtilty of the Devil. This hath *Joannes Langius* written in the first part of his Medicinal Epistles. *Epist. 8. de Frodigiis & Prastigiis Damonum in morbis.* *Mizaldus* reports it also.

54. In many Ponds, all the Water and Mud taken out, by and by, Eeles do breed, if Rain-water come into them; for that with the dew, they do live and are nourished. *Arist. Plutar.* and others.

55. If the right knee of a Bull be tyed with a broad band, it will make him tame. *Ælianus.*

56. Let the Party that bleedeth, chew the Root of a Nettle in his mouth, but swallow it not down, and without doubt the blood will stanch; for if one keep it in his mouth, he can lose no blood. *Petrus Hispanus.*

57. If a Mad-man find ease in sleeping, it is good: but if his rage increase, it is to be feared. *Hippocrates in suis Aphor.*

58. This Medicine following, doth marvellously break Wind in the Belly: Take Cummin-seed, Fennel-seed, and Annis-seed, of each a like, and beat them to powder, then seeth the same in Wine, and drink a good draught thereof first and last, four or five dayes together, and you shall find great help thereby, for it hath been often proved to their great ease and comfort that take the same.

59. Take a Spoonful of *Aqua vite*, and two Spoonfuls of the Water of Asmart, and anoint any Ach

Ach therewith twice every day, morning and evening, for the space of five or six dayes at the most, and it will heal it for ever. I had this out of an old written Book.

60. This following is an excellent Medicine for the Stone: Seeth an handful of Holly-berries in a Pint of good Ale, till half the Ale be consumed; then strain it, putting then a little butter to it, and let the Party drink thereof five or six spoonfuls, and within half an hour after, the Party will make Water (if ever any Medicine will cause it.) This was told me for a very true secret.

61. The Learned and Wise among the *Persians*, affirm, That if Sage be putrified; or laid to rot in Horse-dung, while the *Sun* and *Moon* doth both occupy the same place of *Leo*, thereon will breed a Bird like an Owfell or black Bird, the Ashes whereof being burned, and strewed or cast into a burning Lamp, will make the House seem to be full of Serpents. *Hermes*.

62. If the Ears of Cats be croppped or cut off, it will make them keep home the better. For that then the water (which they cannot abide) will drop into their Ears being open. And if they be gelded, especially the Male Cat, they will not only be more tame and fat, but also thereby they will range abroad the less. *Mizaldus*.

63. It is said, that Cockles and Oylsters, in great Thunders, do then vomit and cast out Pearls, whereupon many are found in the Sands. *Mizaldus*.

64. When any draws nigh towards their death, and that their Members lack blood and vital heat, then Fleas and Lice leave them quite, or else draw

to that part of the body where the said heat carries the longest, which is in the hole of the Neck under the Chin, &c. This is a token that Death is at hand. *Lemnius.*

65. The Leaves of Wall-wort sod with Wine, doth marvellously mitigate the Pains of them that are tormented with the Gout, if they be applied to the place where the grief or pain is. There be they that prefer and extol with marvellous praises, the Juycce pressed out of the Leaves and Roots thereof sodden with Wine and May Butter; and in the stead of a Liniment, anointed still on the grieved Member; that is, three or four times every day. *Mizaldus* learned this of one that proved it.

66. A Rush dried and put into Wine, if there be any Water therein, draws it to it (the Wine left alone, or together) which is good and profitable for trying of Wine. *Mizaldus.*

67. A notable Medicine to heal Lame Members, doth follow: Take of Oyl of Olives, *Aqua vite*, Oyl of *Exeter*, and of a Beasts Gall, of each a like quantity: mix all together, and anoint the Lame Members therewith twice every day, morning and evening, the space of a fortnight, being well rubbed before, and it will help the same of a certain. An old Woman in *Worcester-shire* did help many therewith.

68. If out of one pound of excellent Wine (with as much Salt as you can hold in your hand, and the Lees of pure Wine) you do Distil a Water, you shall find that it will be the hottest Water of all other. *Mizaldus* had this of a certain Alchymist.

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69. It is said, That Harts in *Creet*, being stricken with Darts unvenomed, do eat of a certain Herb called Dittany, and thereby the prick, or any other thing, that sticks in them, is driven forth. *Mizaldus*.

70. There was a certain Woman great with Child in *Pago*, not far from *Andernacus*, a Town of the Bishop of *Tullen*, desiring or longing to eat or to feed on her Husbands flesh; and although she loved him intirely, yet she killed him in the night; and being satished with the half of his flesh, she powdered the rest with Salt: but afterwards, when her great longing did cease, and that she did repent the deed, she did confess it to her Friends that sought for her Hnsband. *Johannes Langius*, in his Medicinal Epistles. Therefore it is good for Husbands to take heed, while their Wives have such inordinate longing upon them.

71. Many have been helped that have had foul and leprous Faces, only with washing the same with destilled water of Strawberries; the Strawberries first put into a close glass, and so putrified in Horse-dung. *Conradus Gesnerus*.

72. Primrose Leaves stampd, and laid in the place that bleedeth, stancheth the blood. This hath been proved.

73. Take black Soap, and almost as much Ginger in powder, and mix them well together, then anoint therewith any Tetters or Ring-worms every day, for the space of four or five dayes together, and it will heal it certainly. Proved.

+ 74. Take Aloes *Epatum* four drams, Briony, Marsh-mallows, Myrrh, Asarrabacca, Scamony, of each one

one dram, mixt with the same made in powder, with the Juyce of Fennel, and a little clarified Honey to preserve them : Take a dram thereof, which is the weight of threescore and twelve Barley-corns, at the most, early in the morning, and neither eat nor drink three or four hours after : if they be given nine dayes together, they help marvellously, and they are very excellent for all manner of Head-ach, approved (though never so long rooted.) They purge all Humours, they bring Gladness, they are good for the Eye-sight, they preserve the Mind, letting or hindring the Hoariness of Hairs, they help the swimming of the Head, and the Megrims, and heal the sounding of the Ears ; But to the weaker Persons, give the lesser quantity. Make it in five or six little round Pills or Balls, and swallow them one after another, at one time ; they are proved to be very good. I found this in a very old written Book.

75. *Johannes Langius* (an excellent Physician) saith, That he heard it reported of certain Horsemen of the County Palatine, that they did see in *Austria* a Man, which with barking, and with swift running, contended and strived with Dogs, and was hunted of them unhurt in the Woods.

76. The Eyes of young Swallows being in the Nest, prickd with a Needle or a Pin, and so made blind, within four or five dayes after they will see again, which is very true, for I have proved it, but how they recover their sight, I know not. But divers write, If their Eyes be hurt, the old Swallows restore their sight again with the Juyce of Celandine.

77. White Poppy and Henbane-feed, a little
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stamped, and tempered with the white of an Egg, and laid to the Forehead, provoketh sleep. This hath been often proved.

+ 78. This following will heal Lame Members, seeth Rue, and Rosemary, of each two handfulls, with common Oyl, and Malmsey, of either one quart together, for the space of half an hour, then let the lame Members be washt and bathed therewith (but before, the said Member or grieved place must be well chafed with a hot Cloth) then when it is well bathed (which will be within half an hour) wrap and keep the Member or place so bathed with a Lambs-skin (the wooll-side inward) and do this every night before, or at going to bed, three weeks at the least, and he will be whole and sound thereof. Dr. Owen helpt one therewith, and with no other thing, that could neither stand nor go, but was very lame. They that saw the proof thereof, told it me, which were Persons of good credit.

79. It was an hainous offence with the *Egyptians*, either willingly or by chance to kill a Cat. And *Diodorus* tells us a pretty story thereof, lest it might be thought to be a Fable. In the time of *Ptolomy*, a League or Amity being begun between him and the *Romans*; a certain *Roman* (then against his will) had killed a Cat: whereupon the *Egyptians* gathered together, and did beset the House where he was, requiring to have him to be executed for his great offence (no whit regarding the Power of the *Romans*, nor yet their League or Friendship with them) then, had it not been for the King and the Rulers, they would have drawn him out of the house, and kill him. *Diodorus*.

80. To keep Harnes, or any thing made of Iron or Steel from rusting, let the same be rubbed over with Vinegar mixt with Ceruse, or the Marrow of an Hart (which is far better than Oyl) and it will keep them fair and bright.

81. A notable Oyl or Medicine for the Gout, and Joynt-aches, very true and often proved: Take the Juyce of Sage, of *Aqua vita*, of Oyl of Bays, of Vinegar, of Mustard, and of Beasts Gall; of each a like quantity; put them altogether into a great bladder, and chafe it well up and down with your hands for the space of an hour and an half, and keep it for your use, and anoint the grieved place therewith every morning and evening, and you shall find your self healed within a short time. This is a sure and often proved thing.

82. The precious Medicine following, doth preserve and keep them that take it, safe from Poyson or Plague: Take of Juniper-berries, two drams; of Earth of Lemney, called by the Physicians, *Terra Lemna*, as much; and one scruple more, which is the weight of twenty four Barley-corns: when you have made them into fine Pouder, mix them with Honey, and keep it for your use, in a clean Vessel: Give as much thereof at one time as a hazel Nut, in three ounces of *Aqua Mulsæ*, which is made of Water and Honey; that is, one pound of Honey, and eight pound of Water sodden and scummed over an easie fire, until the fourth part be consumed. This excellent Antidote did King *Nicomedes* use, when any did bid him to Banquet, or any other Chear, that he did suspect. If there be no Poyson taken before it, it will remain quietly in the Stomach;

mach; but if there be any Poyson, it will procure vomit; so that thereby the Poyson and Medicine will both come forth. *Mizaldus.*

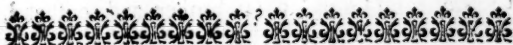
83. A notable thing to cause one to sleep immediately: Take the Juycē of Henbane, Lettice, Plantane, Poppy, of the Leaves of Mandrake, Ivy, Mulberry, and Hemlock, of each one dram; of *Opium* and Ivy-berries, of either as much; stamp the Ivy-berries and the *Opium* together, and mix the Juyces and them well together; then dip a Sponge into the same, and let it drink it all up, and then lay the same Sponge in the Sun to dry: Afterwards lay the said Sponge to the Parties Nose whom you would have to sleep, and he will sleep quickly. And when you will awake him, dip another Sponge in Vinegar, and hold it to his Nose, and he will awake within a while after, This is an excellent thing, and true.

84. Beware that nothing bind thy body hard when thou bleedest, and then hold thy handful of Shepherds-Purse, and stedfastly look up to the Sun, and the bleeding will cease. This is proved.

85. To make a Pouder that will draw out a tooth without any Instrument. Take Spurge, Pellitory of *Spain*, Smallage, the dung of a Raven, or of a Crow, Galbanum, the brains of Partridges, and also a Frog, of each a like quantity; burn all these together in a new Earthen-pot all to pouder: and with a little of the same Pouder touch the Tooth that you would have fall out, and doubtless within a quarter of an hour it will fall out: But you must take heed that you touch none other Tooth therewith. This I had out of an old written Book.

86. Seeth Mallows and red Nettles together in fair water, and let the Party that is Costiff, or cannot go to Stool, sit close over the same, and receive the Fume thereof up into his Fundament, and it will help him certainly and speedily (God willing.) A thing often proved.

The End of the Third Book,



The Fourth Book.

I.

Make *Dwale* as followeth, which makes one to sleep while he is cut, or burned by cauterizing, as fulloweth: Take the Gall of a Barrów Swine, or the Gall of a Boar, the Juyce of Hemlocks three spoonfulls, and of the Juyce of wild Nip three spoonfuls, of the Juyce of Lettice, of the Juyce of Henbane, and Aisel, of each three spoonfuls: mix them together, and boyl them well, and put them in a glasse Vessel well stopped, and put three spoonfuls thereof in a quart of good Wine or Ale, and mix them well together: and let him that shall be cut or cauterized, sit against a good fire, and let him drink thereof till he fall asleep. This I had out of an old written Book. Use it warily, and prove it advisedly: If you begin with a little quantity, you may increase it when you will; but if you give him too much at once, you cannot diminish it when you list.

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2. They will be hindred in their Smell, or will have diseases or griefs in their Noses, in whose Nativity *Mars* and *Venus* are impedit above the earth. *Parromath.*

X 3. Dry the Roots of red Nettles, and make them in Powder, and drink a spoonful of the powder thereof in a draught of white Wine, something warm, and it will break the Stone, though it be never so great, and that with speed. Use it every day until the Stone and Gravel be all broken and consumed. A thing of small price, and great virtue.

4. A Comb made of the Right Horn of a Ram, doth take away the Head-ach, being on the Right-side of the Head, if the pained Head be combed therewith: If the Pain be on the Left-side of the Head, then a Comb made of the Left Horn of a Ram, doth take it away if the pained Head be combed therewith. This I had out of an old Book.

5. *Thebet*, the Philosopher, doth teach, That to get the virtue of any Star, you must take a Ring, when the *Moon* doth behold happily by a Trine or Sextile Aspect, the same Star placed in the midst of the Heavens, or in the Ascendent: but the matter or substance of the Ring must be made of that Metal that belongs to that Star; and likewise an Herb ascribed to the said Star, must be included or put under the Ring.

6. Dip a silk thred in the blood of a Mouse, and let the Patient swallow it that hath the Squinancy, or Swelling, or pains in the Throat, and it will help him.

7. This following is a notable Medicine for the Gout: Take the Root of the wild Nip, and the
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Root of the wild Dock first sodden by themselves, then pare off the skins, and cut them into pieces, and stamp them both together, as small as can be, then put thereto a quantity of Soot of a Chimney, and temper it with the milk of a Cow that hath the Hair of one colour; then take Urine of a Man that is Fasting, and make a Plaister thereof, and boyl all together, and as hot as the Party can suffer it, lay it to the place pained or grieved, a day or night without removing, and then lay another Plaister of the same to it, and let it lye thereto as long as the other. And do thus nine times and it will help him (God willing.) Proved.

8. If Iron that is made clean, or polished, be tinted or rubbed over with *Aqua Fortis*, wherein the filings or scrapings of Brass is dissolved; that Iron will have the colour of Brass. *Bap. Porta.*

8. A Horse that casts or hold his Ears backward, for the most part is Deaf. And that Horse that doth not Neigh in the company of a great number of other Horses, is Dumb. *Simoneta Cardinalis.*

10. The best thing of all other to keep Harness, or any other thing made of Iron or Steel from rustiness, is this, Stamp the filing or dust from Lead, finely in a Leaden or Iron Mortar, putting thereto a little Oyl of Spike (which besides makes it smell trimly) and therewith rub over the Harness, or any other thing, as is aforesaid, made of Iron or Steel: by this means you may carry your Harness, or other things so rubbed therewith, in watery places, and in moist Airs, safe from rusting. *Mizaldus* had this of a cunning Armourer.

11. One knot of the Root of Mullen, given to drink,

drink, doth bind the loosnes of the Belly. Proved.

12. He that waxeth Deaf through an Ague, and bleedeth at the Nose, shall recover his Hearing. *Hippoc. in Aphor.*

+ 13. This Medicine following, is proved by experience, and as a certain divine thing, doth Cure every Plurisie, and doth relieve the sick from death: which ought not to be applied unto the sick party, until the fourth day be past. Take of *Dealths* two ounces (which is to be had at the Apothecaries) the Oyl of sweet Almonds half an ounce; mix them together: with which Oyntment (being warm) let the grieved place be anointed: Then sprinkle upon the anointed place half an ounce of Pouder of Cummin finely searsed (which done) take a Colwort-leaf made hot upon burning ashes, and anoint it with old Butter (not salted) and lay it hot on the anointed and poudered place (tying it on with cloaths that it remove not) and a marvelous Effect will appear unto you, in the ceasing of the pain of the Plurisie, and in dissolving of the matter of the Imposthume. This Remedy will bring honour unto thee, and great profit to the sick Person. And know that this Remedy is good in any other great Pain, in all the body, from the Head to the Foot. *Emperica benedicti victorii*. And also I have seen this proved, which helpt one of the Plurisie without letting blood.

14. If a Woman with Child have her Smock that she wears, slit at the nether end or skirt thereof, or not sowed there round about, but that one side or seam thereof be a little left unclosed, or unfewed

sewed together, the same child that she then goeth with, shall be safe from having a Cloven or Hare lip, yea though she chance to meet suddenly a Hare, although a Hare doth leap over her, or suddenly touch her. Which happens to many children by such means as is mentioned in another part of this Book. This was very credibly told me for a truth, therefore I have placed it here as worthy the name of a Notable thing.

15. Whosoever shall use daily to take in a draught of small Ale, a spoonful of the Powder of Matfellow Scabius, the same will destroy any imposthume within them. It hath been often proved. And *Antonius Musa* doth praise it for the like effect.

16. *Cleopatra*, the last Queen of *Egypt*, and Wife to *Marcus Antonius* Consul of *Rome* (a proud Princess, and too dainty a Dame) did drink one so Voluptuous a draught, as never any did before, nor I think will hereafter, for she dissolved, in tart and strong Vinegar, the greatest and beautifullest Pearl that ever was seen in the East part of the World, and drunk the same at one draught, to satisfie her proud presumptuous pleasure withal. Which Pearl was worth two hundred and fifty thousand Crowns. *Plinius Macrob.* and others.

17. Out of the Fig-tree there comes such a sharp vapor, that if a Hen be hanged thereon, it will so prepare her, that she will be soon and easily roasted. *Plut.* And the like will be if the feathers be plucked off from Fowls, and then laid or covered a day or two in a heap of Wheat. It is confirmed by experience saith *Mizaldus*.

18. The Professor of natural Magick affirms that
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Vervin being taken up or gathered when the Sun is in *Aries*, the Ram, and stamp't with the seeds of Piony, and strained with white Wine and drunk, doth marvellously heal them that have the falling sickness. Oftentimes proved, said *Mizaldus*: which he had out of a very old Book of the seven Herbs of the Planets written to *Hermes*.

19. When any of the three higher Planets, and the Sun is in any of the Angles, the child then born (being a boy) shall be chief of his brethren, Or if there be any born before him they will dye, and he shall hold the chief rule in his Fathers house. *Tayf-mer*.

✕ 20. Salt dissolved in water or brine, presently with his strength doth put away the pains and the heat of any burning, whether it be with Gun-powder. or with Oyl, Pitch, scalding Water, burning Coles, burning Iron, or any other means whatsoever, especially, if it be bathed with linnen cloath therein wet, and laid or applied to the place burnt. *Lemnius*.

21. Take Sal Armoniach, Roch Allom, Allom Plume, Sal Gem. Tartar, and Romane Vitriol, of each equal parts; all which severally made in fine powder, mixt together, and dissolve it in fair clear water; then put silver, or silver plate therein, and let it lye, and set it over the fire, that it may be very hot; and you shall see that your silver or plate will be marvellous white and fair. *Mizaldus*.

22. The Root of Zeodary (but be sure it be perfect and good) mixt with Rayfins, and a little Liquorice, champed with the teeth and swallowed, preserves them that do so, unhurt or without the danger

danger of the Plague, if they go to any that are infected with the Plague, or that are constrained to speak with them that have the Plague. *Mizaldus.*

23. The Root of Piony (which is the herb of the Sun) being pulled out of the earth on a Sunday, in the hour of the Sun, the Sun then being in *Leo*, called the Lyon, and the Moon encreasing in light, which is from her Change to the Full, delivereth them of the Falling-sickness that bear it upon them. *Marcellus Ficinus.*

24. Let the Woman that travels with her child, (in her labour,) begirded with the skin that a Serpent or Snake casts off, and then she will quickly be delivered. *Tortula.*

25. A marvellous rare secret, to draw out the Oyl of Cinamon after an easie manner: which Oyl preserveth the stomach from corruption, by taking it by the mouth, and applying it to the stomach. Take of Cinamon one pound, which stamp and beat finely: then mix and impast it with the Oyle of sweet Almonds, unto the form of an Oyntment; then heat the same in an earthen pan somewhat, which after let stand (close covered) for fourteen days, or twelve at the least; at the end of which time, heat the whole again sufficiently, (that is, untill it be very hot) then put it into a bag, and wring out the Oyle in a Press, untill the whole Cinamon remain thorough dry therein; then that which is come forth, will be of the colour, savour, and taste of the Cinamon. A secret known to few to be wrought in this Order.

26. The powder of Pellitor of Spain, mixt with the milk of Wartwort or Spurge, and Galbanum,
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and a little thereof applyed to any rotten or aking tooth, will break it, or pluck it out, and the pain thereof will cease. This I had out of an old written Book.

27. In the common place where the Censors of *Venice* sit, there never enters any flies. *Gandeant. Mervia.* And in the flesh Shambles of *Toledo*, a City in *Spain*, is not seen but one Fly in all the whole year. As *Leo Papist.* saith. And in *Westminster-Hall*, in the Timber-work, there is not to be found one Spider, nor a Spiders web; because (as it is thought) the Timber wherewith the roof is builded, was brought out of *Ireland*. I have not onely heard it credibly told, that there is neither Spider, Toad, nor any other venemous thing: but also that some of the earth of that Country hath been brought hither, whereon a Toad being laid, she hath died presently. Though this be marvellous and strange, yet it is true.

28. The juice of ground Ivy, snuft up into the nose out of a spoon or a saucer, purgeth the head marvellously, and takes away the greatest and oldest pain thereof that is. This Medicine is worth gold, though it be very cheap. I have known them that have had marvellous pains in their head, almost intolerable for the space of a dozen years, and this helpt them presently, and never had the pain since they took this Medicine.

29. This Medicine following will kill Worms in the belly, Take the Gall of an Ox or of a Cow, and so much of the flower of Lupines (which are to be had at the Apothecaries) as will thicken the same, mix them well togethe, and lay it on wool, and so plaister

plaister it to his belly where the grief is, and about the Navel, and after twelve hours lay thereon another plaister. Do thus four or five days and it will help him.

30. How greatly is the sick party to be feared, or judged not to escape, if in the time of the question, or the first beginning of the sickness, both the Luminaries are under the earth &c. *Patromat. M. Cnat. Ryff. Argent.*

31. If hot burning gold be quenched in pure Wine, (the same Wine being drunk) it procures strength to the chief members, and to the vital parts. And it makes strong the natural faculties, and doth help the diseased part, with strength and vital spirit. And this liquor is thought to be very good in the time of Plague. And if the same be mixed with a little Tarre, it doth quite put away from any place of the body, all spots, though they be never so foul. Yea it helps a leporous face, a red nose, and any other deformity of the same, if the place infected be washt and rubbed oftentimes therewith.

Lemnius.

32. The water that drops out of the Vine, or the gum that is found there, being drunk with white Wine, doth break and expel the stones in the reins marvellously; and also being rubbed upon Ring-worms, Tetters and leprous places; it doth cure them, but they must be rubbed before with Niter. This was told to *Mizaldus* as a proved thing,

33. If his spittle which hath a Consumption, being cast upon the coles doth stink, and the hair fall from his head, it is a sign of death. *Hyp. in Aphor.*

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34. There is a certain Electuary of Life, of *Arnoldus de Villanova*, in a little Book of his of the putting back of old Age; described of the five kinds of *Mirabolans*, made for the conserving and keeping of Health, and prolonging of Life; and it is a perfect and approved thing. For it doth not only comfort, but also it doth Purge superfluous Humours remaining of Nutriment past: and the use thereof doth let or hinder gray Hairs, and it makes one come to the last old Age: It strengthneth the stomach, and the use thereof, maketh a good colour in all the Body, and this is the description thereof.

+ Take of great Raisons cleansed of their stones and stalks, two pounds; Liquorice made clean and beaten, one ounce; let these be put into two pounds and an half of fair water, and let them seeth well, and let them then be strained well, & in that which is strained, let there be put of Mirabolanes, Kebule, Citrine, and Indy, beaten in a Morter, their stones taken away, of each two ounces; of Embelick, and Bellerick, of either of them two drams; Let them be sod, strained, and pressed, or well wrung: then put thereto white Sugar one pound, and seeth all together to the thickness of a Syrup, and in the end, add thereto of good Cinamon half an ounce, Cloves and Gallangal, of each two drams; Nutmegs, Marjoram, and Anni-seeds, of either one ounce: and make thereof an Electuary, and keep it in a pure Vessel. In this Electuary be Medicines of the principal Members (that is to say) to the Heart, Head, stomach, Liver, Spleen, and of the generative Members; and it is first hot, after moist, then cold, and last dry. *Johannes Ganivetus* also describes it.

35. Certain Worms that shine in the Night called Glowworms, being well stopped in a Glasse, and covered within hot Hore-dung, standing there a certain time, will be there dissolved into a Liquor, which being mixt with the like proportion of Quick-silver, first cleansed and purged, which will be within half a dozen times washing in pure Vinegar, mixt with Bay-salt, which, after every washing and rubbing, must be cast away, and then hot water put to the quick-silver, and therewith washed and then put and closed in a fair bright and pure glass, and so hanged up in the middst of a house, or other place or room, will give such a light in the dark, as the *Moon* doth, when she shines in a bright Night, *Joh. Bapt.*

36. A piece of a Childs Navel-string, worn in a Ring, is good against the Falling-sickness, the pains of the Head, and of the Collick. *Mizaldus.*

37. *Bapt. Fulgosius* reports, That nigh to *Sirmonium*, a City of *Pamony*, sometimes there hath been Tendrals of Gold found in the Vine; whereof there hath been Money coyned, which many have seen, saith *Gandent. Meruba*, in his time. And *Alexander Neapolitanus* saith, That he hath found in *Germany*, within *Danuby*, Vines that did bear little Nails, and Leaves of pure Gold; which were given as Presents, to Kings and Dukes. *Mizaldus.*

38. The seeds of Roses with Mustard-seed, and the foot of a Weasel, altogether tyed in something, and hanged among the boughs or branches of a Tree that bears but little Fruit: it is said. that it will make the Tree to bear well, and to be marvelous fruitful. *Mizaldus.*

39. Pare the Nails of one that hath the Quar-tane Ague, which being put into a linnen Cloth, and so tyed about the neck of a quick Eel, and the same Eel put into the Water, thereby the Ague will be driven away. *Giber. & Albert.*

40. If any list to sleepe, and lay by him the branches of moist Hemp, Gnats will not trouble him, nor come near him. *Mizaldus.*

41. Culver-dung, stampt and used for a Plaister with strong Vinegar, and applied to the Navel, bindeth incontinently all fluxes of the belly. *Macer.*

42. The Root of a Gourd, tyed to the Reins of the Back of Women that are in Labour, or Travel of Child, doth cause speedy deliverance thereof: But let it be taken away as soon as the Child doth come forth, lest the Matrix go out after the Child. *Tortula de passionibus mulierum.*

43. Here followeth an Electuary of a wonderful virtue in the time of Pestilence, this Electuary is of so great virtue, in them that do receive it once in twenty four hours, that they may be free from all evil infections of corrupt and contagious airs, all the day after. But them that are infected already, and are taken with the Pestilence, if they drink of it but one spoonful, as shall be said hereafter, (especially after letting of blood, if it be convenient to the Patient) and lay him down and sweat upon the same, if the venome hath not utterly overcome the heart: he shall undoubtedly recover. It hath been lately proved, That after drinking of the said Medicine, when the Patient made his Water in an Urinal, the glass hath burst in pieces

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by reason of the venome that it purged out. This is the making of the said Electuary, Take Cinamon, one ounce; *Terra sigillata*, six drams; fine Myrrh, three drams: Unicorns-horn, one dram; the Seed and Rinde of Citron, Roots of Dittany, Burnet, Turmentil, Zedoary, red Coral, of each two drams; yellow Saunders, four scruples; red Saunders, two scruples; white Been and red, flowers of Marigolds, of each one dram; Ivory ras'd, Scabius, *Vero incitunici*, seed of Basil, the bone of a Staggs-heart, Saffron, of each two scruples: make a fine Pouder, and add unto it of Bole-Armoniack prepared, two ounces; white Sugar three pound; and with a Syrup of *Acetositate citri*, make a good Electuary, and keep it in a glass. If the Pestilence cometh with great excess of heat, drink it in Rose water and Vinegar: but if you feel it cold, take it in a draught of Wine, and cover you with cloths, so that you may sweat as long as is possible: for without doubt it is a present Remedy, as I my self have now of late proved. Thus much *Thomas Phayre* in his Treatise of the Pestilence.

44. The teeth of a mad Dog, (that hath bitten a Mau or Woman) tyed in Leather, and then hang'd at the shoulder, doth preserve and keep the Party that bears it from being bitten of any mad Dog. *Diascorides*, by the report of *Mizaldus*.

45. The Seeds of *Carduus Benedictus* stamped and drunk, doth help the grief, pains, prickings, and stitches of the side, and the griping in the Guts, and the lower parts of the Belly. This is proved for truth.

46. If any do sprinkle his Head with the powder

of the Skin that a Snake doth cast off, gotten or gathered when the *Moon* is in the Full, being also in the first part of *Aries*, the Ram, he shall see terrible and fearful dreams. And if he shall have it under the Soal of his foot, he shall be acceptable before Magistrates and Princes. *Cardanus*.

47. Whosoever begins their Journey in the hour of *Venus*, he shall have good profit on the behalf of Women, or some such like thing. *Haly Abenragel*.

48. If Worms gnaw upon, or hurt the mouth of the Stomach, put Honey-combes into the mouth fasting, and hold them there, and the Worms will draw unto the Honey, and so void by the mouth. It hath been proved.

49. If in the first beginning of any sickness, or at the time of any question for the sick, if the *Moon* be Oriental, nigh to the *Sun*, within twelve degrees, it is sign of death; and the nearer to the *Sun*, and in Combustion, the worse. *Johannes Garivetus*.

50. With this Secret following, *Benedictus Vi-Etorius* had alwayes good success in passions and griefs of the Heart: Take of the Juyce of Bugloss, cleansed or purified at the fire, two ounces; white Sugar two drams: mix them together, and let the Patient or diseased Party, drink it every night going to bed; and there will not ten dayes pass, but the Praty will be cured of the passion or grief of the Heart.

51. This following is a notable tried Medicine for the Gout, and for the swelling of Joynts, and for Knobs and Knots coming of the French-POX. Take *May* Butter a quarter of a pound; half a pound of Cummin-seed beaten, into fine powder; a quarter

a quarter of a pound of black Soap, one handful of Rue, half a handful of clarified Sheeps-sewet : stamp all these together in a Mortar ; Then take the Gall of an Ox, and a spoonful of Bay-salt, and fry them altogether till it be thick ; then lay it on a woollen cloth, and so apply it to the Ach, as hot as may be suffered ; and let it lye unremoved a whole week ; and then lay another Plaister thereof to it, and let it lye unremoved as long : then lay the third Plaister thereto, and let it lye thereto as the other, which will be the whole three weeks, and without doubt it will help him. I have seen it proved. This I had out of a very old Book.

52. There be them (and truly with proved success) that do hang Roots of Sorrel at their Necks for the Swine-pox : and also in like case of Plantane. *Mizaldus.*

53. Whosoever hath the blooy Flux (be it never so great or grievous) let them drink the Wine wherein the Roots of Hollihocks cut in pieces are sodden and strained. If the Party have an Ague, then let the Roots be sod in water with some Plantane-leaves, and so strained, which is an approved and sure Medicine for that disease : whether the Party have an Ague or not.

54. If the Lord of the seventh House be in the third or ninth house, and any evil Planet behold him ; he that is then born, will fall from some building, or else he will dye of something that shall fall upon him. *Prolo.*

55. If you seeth Briony in Water, and use to drink the same, it helps and cureth them that have the Dropsie. Proved.

56. Marvellous and notable virtues of the Eye-bright do follow : Let the Leaves, Stalks and Flowers with the whole substance be destilled when it beareth flowers, the water thereof stilled, dropped, and stroked about the Eyes, causeth clear Eyes, and sharpneth the sight, & ceaseth the pains of the eyes: the Water dropped into the Eyes an hour before night, and stroked about them, and drunk to the quantity of three ounces at one time, comforteth, strengthneth, and preserveth the sight, especially in aged persons, and in flegmatick complexions. The Herb dryed and brought to powder, and eaten every day in a potched Egg, for a certain time together, restoreth lost sight: the water mixed with half a dram of the powder, and drunk every evening for a month together, recovereth a weak sight.

57. This precious Medicine following, will bring forth a Canker, and pluck it up by the Roots, out of any sore wherever it be, either in Man or Woman: Take Roseager, and make powder thereof; then take Barrows or Hogs-grease that is new and fresh (first melted and after cold) then mix the powder therewith very well: then put thereof upon a piece of white Leather, which may cover the Sore: then sprinkle on the Plaister fine flower of pure Wheat: then on the same spread Honey, and then put upon the Honey Womans-milk, then put the said Plaister upon the Sore where the Canker is, and put the new Crust of a new white Loaf upon the Plaister and tie it fast upon the same that it remove not: and in the morning thou shalt find the Canker dead on the said Plaister. This is most true. This I have tried out of an old written Book.

58. Let a Woman make water in a Urinal that is fair and clean, or rather new, upon certain corns of Barley : and set the same, in a cold place, for the space of eight days, and if the said Barley corns will grow again, or bring forth new Corn, then the fault is not in the Woman, that she conceives not, but rather in the Man. If otherwise, then the let of conception is in her.

59. The juice of Lilly roots, and Vinegar of either like much, mixed together, and the sawce steame, or the red pimpled face anointed therewith every morning for the space of nine or ten days, doth help it perfectly.

60. You shall know whether the Dropsie be hot or cold, by this that followeth : if the swelling begin first at the feet, and go upward then it comes of a hot cause: If the swelling begin first in the face, and go downward, then it comes of a cold cause. This likewise I had out of an old written Book, wherein were many things credible.

61. Cast the water of any sick person, newly made at night, on red Nettles, and if the Nettles be weathered and dead in the morning after, then the sick party is like to dye of that disease, if they be green still, then he is like to live.

62. A certain wicked fellow that killed his Father, did sit in company with his companions, eating and drinking ; over whose head was a Swallows Nest, with young Swallows in the same, at which time the said Swallows made a great noise, and chattering, when suddenly the said wicked fellow got a powle, and burst the Swallows Nest ; whereby the Swallows fell down, and he trod on them,

and crushed them in pieces. Being asked of one of them, why he did so? I have good cause so to do, said he: for did you not hear, said he, how they told that I killed my Father: whereupon he was suspected, examined, and so confessed, and therefore executed. *Plutarchus.*

63. Dry a Goat, Sheep, or Neats bladder, and make powder thereof, and let them drink thereof with Vinegar or Water when they go to bed, that cannot hold their Water, and it will help them, *Galen* affirms this.

64. To kill Serpents in your dream, signifies victory: to see Sails of Ships is evil, to dream that all your teeth are bloody, it signifies the death of the Dreamer: but that the teeth are drawn out, signifies the death of another: that Birds enter into an house, signifies loss: to weep, betokens joy, to handle many signifies anger: to see dead horses, signifies a Lucky event of things. *Artemidorus.*

65. You shall make a Sword, Knife, or any other instrument to have an excellent edge, if you do as followeth. Put into a pound of the Urine of a young man, as much Soot as ye may take in your hand, putting thereto four Ounces of the Oyle of Linseed: all Being mixt together, let them seeth on the fire, and between the beating or striking of the Sword or the Knife, while it is red or burning hot, quench it in this mixture, and according to Art, let it be well tempered. *Mixaldus.*

66. If you stamp Lupines (which are to be had at the Apothecaries) and therewith rub round about the bottome or lower part of any tree, no Ants or Pysmires will go up and touch the same tree. *Mixaldus.*

67. If *Mercury* (being Lord of the sixth house) be impedit of *Saturn*, it threatens to the child then born, continual blindness, and so much the more if the Moon behold the Sun and *Saturn* in that sort *Taysnier*.

68. Rub the leafe of a Marigold between your fingers, and put the same into your nose, and let it stay there a little while: and it will bring forth abundance of humours out of your head, and it will the rhume within a little while, if you use it. This I had of a friend as an excellent secret.

69. The eating of two drams of great Rayfins (the stones taken out) in the morning fasting, doth profit for concerning youth, because they make better digestion, and flegme is diminished by them, they comfort the Liver, and make it fat, because they are friends of the Stomach and of the Liver, and they increase blood and make it thick, and when they are taken after meat, they strengthen and moisten the belly. *Johan. Gariver*.

70. The eyes be not only instruments of enchantment, but also the voice and evil tongues of certain persons; for there are found in *Africk*, as *Gellius* saith, Families of men that if they chance exceedingly to praise fair trees pure seeds, goodly children, excellent horses, fair and well liking cattle, soon after they will wither and pine away, and so dye. No cause or hurt known of their withering or death, Thereupon the custome came, that when any do praise any thing, that we should say, God bless it or keep it. *Arist.* in *Prob.* By the report of *Mizeldus*.

71. Stop both your ears with your fingers and

the hickop will go away within a while after. Proved.

72. Many that are born at that time, when the earth doth quake, are always fearful : in the time of Thunder, they are for the most part faint and fearful : in the time of the change of the Moon, either they live not long, or else they be weak, and oftentimes, as *Aristotle* saith, have Melancholick : which makes them to be wayward, fretting, and seldom merry. *Mizaldus*.

73. If *Mercury* be conjunct with *Saturn*, or in an evil aspect of him, and neither *Jupiter* nor any other good Planet doth behold *Mercury*, it doth note, that they then born, shall have an impediment in their tongue, or shall stutter ; chiefly if it be found above the earth. *Taysnier*.

74. The roots of Eldern sod, and strained, and drunk thirty days together, thrice every day at morning, noon, and night, doth cure the Drop sic perfectly, Proved.

75. If the paps of a woman, which is with child of two, do wax little, she shall lose one of them, and if it be the right Pap, it is a man child that will be lost : and if it be the left, a woman child *Hippocratts* in *Aphor*.

76. Take Garlick, and Houslick, of each a like much, and stamp them both together, and plaister the same either to a hot or cold Gout : and it will help and ease it marvellously, this was reported to me, to be excellent therefore.

77. The flower of Ointments, called *Flas unguentorum*, is made as followeth. Take of Rosen, and Perrosin, of each half a pound, Virgin Wax, and

and Olybanum, of either a quarter of a pound, Mastick one ounce, Harts tallow, or Sheeps tallow, a quarter of a pound, Champhire two drams: make your Gums in fine powder, and sear them: then melt the Wax and Tallow, and mix the Powders therewith well, and boil them well together, then strain it thorow a Canvas bag into a pottle of white Wine; then let it keel, until it be bloud warm, then put thereto the Champhire, and a quarter of a pound of Turpentine, by little and little, evermore stirring it well, till it be thorow cold: then make it up in rowles, and keep it to your use, for the best Salve for all things following that ever was made, by the sufferance of God. Wherefore esteem of this Salve above any other; for it hath been put in experience, and substantially proved: It heals wounds, old and new, it cleanseth very well and gathereth good flesh It healeth Head-ach, and Imposthume in the Head, or in the body: Swoln Ears or Cheeks. Sawsfleams in the Face, Sinews cut, sterck, or sprained in travel: It draws out Iron and Thorn: it helps venemous biting and pricking, it healeth all manner of botches, all swelling and Ach in the Cods, and all other Members: it ceases the flux of the Emrods, and it is special good to make a sear-cloth, for all manner of griefs, This was written and cast into the Recluse or Anchor, at the Red hill in Almain, wherewith he wrought many marvels, and never used any other Medicine but this. This I Coppied out of a very old Book: and I have proved it many times to be precious.

78. When the Alumten or the Lord of the Ascendant is infortunate in his fall, or combust with three other

other testimonies or else two? It signifies that the sick person shall die: And it is so much the worse if he be under the beams of the Sun. *Patromat Gnat. Ryff.*

79. Whosoever hath the grief or swelling of the Spleen never so much, and hath had it of a long time, and doth heat the ends of a pair of tongs in the fire, untill they be glowing and red hot, and then quencheth the same in half a pint of white wine and drink the same Wine: It will help them thereof perfectly. This was credibly told me for very trath. But it is more certain, if they be so heated and quenched five or six times, and then drunk: and to take the same four or five mornings together. Which I know to be excellent: the like unto this, is affirmed to be most true, and proved by *Anthony Benev. nina.*

80. It is a great token of health when the stones or cods begin to itch, though the other parts of the body be very weak. But then take heed of Venerious acts, least you pay for your pleasure. *Mizaldus.*

8P. Coriander seed made in powder, and mixt with Honey, and implaistred upon a Carbuncle, or other grievous Biles, destroys the same quite. *Arnoldus de Villa nova.*

82. The black Sea-cole, mixed with Oyle, will be made soft. Wherewith if one anoint Vines, it will destroy worms which destroy or eat the buds of the Vines. *Serverius Gebelius.*

83. The gum of a Cherry dissolved in white wine and so given to them that are grieved with the stone it will help them marvellously. *Mizaldus* affirms that

that it is very certain, and often proved.

84. It was credibly told me for a truth, that there was a very poor woman being brought to bed of a child, having many children before, to whom a sister of hers (being rich, and that never as yet had any child) came to see her, who said as followeth. Ah sister, sister, here are many mouths and little meat. To whom her poor sister answered; Content your self sister, God never sends mouths, but he sendeth meat. After it chanced the rich sister was with child; which, when it was born, had never a mouth. So that there was much meat, and no mouth. A worthy and rare example, to make all covetous, greedy and careful worldings, to cast their whole care on the Lord, and not so to depend on their own provision or worldly wealth. If it were not for the great goodness of God, we should have no more meat for our mouthes, than this womans child had a mouth for meat. But if we have both mouths and meat, and lack good stomachs for the same, what are we the near? So that both mouth and meat, and stomach, are not in our wills to have when we list, but are Gods gifts, to bestow as he will.

85. *Hermes* saith, if in the nativity of the husband, *Venus* be combust, the wife shall die before the Husband. If in the Nativity of the Wife *Mars* be combust, the Husband shall die before the Wife.

86. Water or Wine, wherein Walwort is sod (if a good draught thereof be drunk every day first and last, for the space of twenty days at the most,) doth perfectly help them that have the Drop sic. It

is an excellent Medicine for the same.

87. Cast or instill certain drops of Baulm into clear Water, and then, with a stick, labour well the Water, and if the Water then be troubled, the Baulm is not perfect. But if the Water abide clear, the same is good, and perfect Baulm, For the good and true Baulm, doth gather it self always into one place. And thus you may perfectly try a true and good Baulm, from a false and Sophisticate Baulm.

88. If the root of Piony (especially of the male Piony) be hanged at the neck of a child or a boy, that hath the falling-sickness, it doth help very much. Likewise doth Pellitor, and the hair of a dog that is black.

The End of the Fourth Book.



The Fifth Book.

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== **A** Mare will bring forth a Foal of divers colours, if she be covered with a cloth of divers colours, while she is taking the Horse; For such colours as be before the eyes of the Horse, while he doth Horse her, without doubt, the Foal will be of the same colours. The same may be proved with Dogs and other Beasts. *Mizaldus.*

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2. The Berries of *Halicacabus* (called Winter Cherries) being stamp't, and the juice prest or wrung out of the same, and then drier in the shadow: (the same) if it be given to such as have the Stone, or cannot make Water, and also to them that have the Dropfie, it will provoke Urine, or drive forth the Water, and also expel the Hidropical humours. *Mizaldus.*

3. *Hortus, Apollo*, doth say that a Wolf doth greatly fear stones: therefore when he is constrained to go by stony places, he treads very demurely or softly. For being hurt with a very little stroke of a stone, it breeds worms, whereof at length he is consumed, or brought to his death. Therefore he doth fly from a Traveller that lays wait to strike him with stones.

4. If the Moon and Venus be joyned together, and both be combust: he that is then born, shall lack a wife, or never marry. *Ptolomeus.*

5. If the leaves of Eldern, first made hot between two Tile stones, and then applyed hot to the forehead and the temples, if any pain lye there: it helpeth the Ach of the Head marvellously. This is very good and well proved.

6. Here followeth a marvellous water to provoke sleep, take of *opium chibarcum*, and Garlick heads pulled, of each two ounces, beat the Garlick heads in a Mortar, with a wooden pestell, and put thereto the Opium grinded: incorporate these well together, that it may be like a sawce. Distill this in a retort, with a most soft and slow fire in ashes; with this Water distilled, when need shall require, anoint the Temples the Forehead, and pulses

Pulses of the Wrists. And beware you minister, nor use this, but upon great necessity, and on frantick Persons (as you shall think it good.)

7. The Juyce of the Buds, Leaves, inner-Rind, or of the young Branches of Elder (something warm) put into the Ear, doth not only break the Imposthume thereof, in four or five times using, but also doth marvellously help the Deafness. This was told me for a great Secret; and I have tried it to be an excellent thing in such a case.

8. To see Monks in ones dream, doth pretend death, or calamity: To see fat Oxen, betokens plenty of all things: To lose an Eye or a Tooth, signifies the death of a Friend, or of a Kinsman, or some other evil luck: To dream to be Dumb, fore-shews speedy gladness: To see Oxen plow, betokens gain: To enter into Waters, betokens evil.
Artemidorus.

9. This following makes a soft Beard, and doth beautifie the Chin with fine Hair: Take Butter without Salt, the Juyce of a red Onyon, the grease of a Gray, or a Badger, the Root of Briony, Beets, Radish, and of white Lillies; whereof make a Lineament, and anoint the Chin therewith, being shaven. *Mizaldus.*

10. Put up an old Gander in a house, and let him be there three dayes without meat, then cast unto him pieces of an Eele, newly killed; then gather the Dung that comes from him, after he hath eaten the pieces of the Eele; which dung being laid to any Imposthume or Swelling, is a present Remedy therefore.

11. He that sleepeth in a Sheeps-skin, shall see
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true Dreams, or Dream of things that be true.

12. The brain of a Wesel dried, and drunk with Vinegar, doth help them that have the Falling-sickness. *Mfizaldus.*

13. *Jupiter*, and *Venus*, or one of them in the eight House, and combust, not retrograde, doth signify the Child then born, shall die a natural and no violent death. *Tayfner.*

14. Take a little Stick, and tye about the end thereof, old Oaken-leaves; then cut them something round, and hold the same leaves in your mouth, as deep, and as far in as you may suffer it well (holding the stick between your teeth) and so hold your mouth over a Porringer, or a Dish, and there will great abundance of Humours avoid out of your mouth; and within a while, wash in fair Water the said Leaves on the Stick, and then hold it in your mouth so again. Do this for the space of half an hour, and use this three or four times a day for three or four dayes together, or until you have avoided as much watery Humours as you think good. This is the best and presentest Remedy for helping of the Rheume, that ever I knew or heard of. I had it of a Gentleman, that esteemed it as a Treasure. And whosoever proves it, shall find it an excellent thing.

15. This following is an excellent Gargarism to purge the Head and the Breast. Take of Stavesacre three drams; Pellitor of *Spain*, and Mustard-seed, of each two drams; long Pepper, Ginger, and Allongem, of each one dram: Make powder of them that are to be powdered, and stamp the rest, and mix all well together, and put as much thereof as a Bean in

in a little linnen cloth, and tye the same fast with a thread, that it may be round ; then hold the same in your mouth, and champ it softly between your teeth, and it will bring forth Water and Flegm abundantly. Use this daily until you think your Head be well purged.

+ 16. Earth-worms slit, and cleansed, and washt from their slimy and Earthly matter (half a dozen of them, at the least) and cut in pieces or chopped, and a good Mess of Pottage made thereof, made with Oatmeal and Water, and so much every day eaten by them that have the black Jaundice, for the space of twelve dayes or longer : no doubt it will perfectly cure them thereof, though it be never so long rooted, or thought to be past cure. Or else a spoonful of the Pouder made of them, in *March*, or any other time, when you can get them ; taken every day so long, in a little draught of any drink, doth perfectly cure the same. This is very true, and hath been oftentimes proved. It hath helpt some, in four or five dayes.

17. *Olibanum* (which is a kind of *Frankincense*) in powder, mixed with as much Swines-grease, and boyled together, wherewith if Childrens-heads that are full of Lice, or that are given to breed Lice, be anointed, they shall afterwards be free from Lice. This is better and more safe then to use Ointments mixt, with Quick-silver, which is very dangerous : therefore let Mothers, or Nurses rather use this.

18. Whereas every Beast (the act of generation ended or done) is wont to be sad : only the Cock rejoyceth, for he sheweth his gladness then, by crowing.

19. If *Mars* be in the eighth house, and in a humane sign, or in the second face of *Taurus* or in the first face of *Leo*, it doth shew the child then born shall die of Iron. *Taysnier*

20. It is proved by experience, that to use combustibly in the dinner, and immediately before supper, half an ounce of the flower of Cassia, newly drawn, doth forbid the ingendering of imposthumation of the stomach. Truly I say unto thee, that who doth use such taking of Cassia, shall be preserved from every evil affection of the stomach. *Emperica bened.*

21. Wine of the decoction of Tormentil, drunk daily without any other drink, and the herb thereof sodden, and every evening plaistred over the the eyes, the space of three or four months or more, restoreth the sight, yea, to those that have their eyes as though they did see, and yet are blind, and see nothing at all. *Petrus Hispanus.*

22. *Andreas Matheolus*, knew a Woman, that every day, for a whole years space, was grievously troubled with the pains of the Mother, which was helped very well of that disease, by drinking once a week at her going to bed, of White Wine, wherein an ounce of the Root of Briony was heated: and she using this Medicine a whole year in such sort, she felt no more harm thereof.

23. If you will destroy or put away Warts, cut off the Head of a quick Eele, and rub the Warts all over well with the same blood then as it runs from the Eele: then bury the Head of the said Eele deep in the Ground, and when the Head is rotten, then they will fall away. I think the Author here-

of is, *Johannes Baptista. Porta. Mizaldus.*

24. About the rising of the little Dog (being in Summer) an old Cock doth lay an Egge, round speckled, and of divers colours: whereof many do think that the Basyliske, or Cockatrice doth come (which is a most pernicious, and venemous Serpent,) especially if that Egg be sat upon and hatched by a Toad: which whether it be a Fable or not, let others judge. *Mizal.*

25. *Mars* in the eighth House, with the head of the Dragon, betokens that the child then born shall die of a roap, or be hanged. *Tayfn.*

26. The Juice of Coleworts, put or snuft into the Nostrils, doth purge the Head marvellous well, and help the antient pain of the Head. Often proved.

27. Black Sieges like to filthy blood, are wonderful evil, whether they be with an Ague or without an Ague. And the darker colour they have, the worse they be: but if these signes come through a Purgation, they be more laudable. And although they be of divers colours, they be not evil. *Hypocrates.*

28. This following is an excellent, and often proved thing for the Collick, Strangury, and the Stone, take the Seed of Caraway, Fennel-seed, Spicknard, Annis-seed, of Cummin-seed, Cinnamon, and Galingale: of each half an ounce, Gromel-seed, and Liquorice, of either of them an ounce, and beat them all to powder, and drinke half a spoonful of the same powder in Ale, a little warmed, and walk up and down an hour after, before you eat or drink any other thing. Do thus five or

six days together at least, and you shall find it of a notable operation. This was taken out of a learned practisers book : besides, since it hath many times been proved.

29. Young Children whose Gumes are anointed with the Brain of an Hare, doth breed their Teeth, easily. *Mizald.* And it hath been proved with the Brain of a Coney.

30. A Walnut put fast into a Chicken, that it fall not out in the Roasting thereof ; it makes that the same Chicken will be the sooner Roasted. *Mizaldus.*

31. If a round large Vessel, with one whole in the top thereof be filled full with quick Lime and Brimstone, of both equal portions, and the hole well stoppt, that no Air nor any thing may go out, and so put in some standing Water ; or a little pit of Water, or into some Cistern full of Water, it will keep the said Water hot a long time, or for many days. Proved of many, saith *Mizaldus.* And I found the same also in an old written Book.

32. Hens Dung, mixt with meat that is given to be eaten of mad Dogs, will take away their madness from them : (as it is thought.) *Mizal.*

33. If one give any thing for Warts, to them that have them, be it never so small a thing, as three or four hairs, (a rag of linnen Clothe or some other thing, of no value, the sooner it will rot, so much the better) and let the party that would be rid of the Warts, wrap the same in something, and put it into the Ground and cover the same with earth again. Truly as the same thing does rot in the earth, so will the Warts wear and consume away. This is proved.

34. If *Mars*, be in *Gemini*, and the *Sun* in *Pisces*, in a *Quartile Aspect*, in the day time, or the *Moon* in the night time : it doth signifie that the *Child* then born, will be hanged *Tayfn*.

35. They that use to receive three pills made of *Aloes*, *de succo cetrino*, made in powder, (which is to be had at the *Apothecaries*) and mixt with the *Juice* of *Colworts*, of the bigness of a *Bean*, shall never be troubled with pain in the *Head*. *Pei. Hisp.*

36. A strange Medicine for the *Gout*. Take a good handful of *Arsmart*, and wrap and tie the same in a *Bur* leaf, and lay it first in cold ashes, then compass the same with hot *Embers* and *Coales*, and so roast the same well : then apply the same roasted *Arsmart* to the grieved place, and do this evening and morning for two or three days : and thou shalt find a present help thereof. This was told me for a great secret, and as a proved thing.

37. If you put or stop fast within a *Nut*, quick *Brimstone* *Salt-Peter*, and *Quick-Silver*, the same being put into a *Loaf* of bread, and then the same *Loaf* put into some hot place, you shall see the loaf of bread so leap, that it will be very pretty sport to them that see it. *Mizaldus* had this of one that proved it.

38. A most excellent Oyle of *S. Johns Wort*, is made as followeth, Infuse or steep for the space of three days, the tops of *Saint Johns Wort*, in pure and excellent *Wine*, then in a double Vessel, let them heat easily over the fire, and then strain them easily : then again put as many of the tops of *Saint Johns Wort* in that strained liquor, as you had before,

fore, and let them steep therein three days, or three nights, as before, then heat and strain them as before, then add thereto three ounces of Turpentine, and six ounces of old Oyl, and of Saffron the weight of xxij barley corns: mix all together and then seeth all together in a double Vessel, untill the Wine be consumed, and that that remains, put into a glassen or leaden Vessel, and keep it safely for your use. This Oyl is of a marvellous vertue and property, as well chiefly against venemous Ulcers, as many other Diseases and cold griefs: well known to many Women. *Mizaldus.*

39. If you rub slightly any kind of Beasts or Cattel, with the Juice of Gourds in hot weather, no kind of Flies will then hurt, or molest them, nor yet annoy them. A thing desired of many, and very necessary for such as ride in the hot weather. *Mizaldus.*

40. If *Mars* be opposite to *Jupiter*, and the one of them be the Lord of the eighth house: it is like the child then born, shall die by the commandment of the Judge. *Tayln.*

41. The Leaves of Wild Ivy sod in Wine, and laid upon any Canker, doth kill and heal the same. *Tortula.*

42. This Water following is very precious for Frantick and Mad-men, proved very often. Take the Flowers of Rosemary, of Burrage, and of the Root of Buglosse, of each half a pound, of Saffron two drams, of Quincies four ounces, of the best Whitewine, two pints, mix them all together, and then let them stand so, for the space of a natural day: after that bury the Glasse body wherein all

the same is, in Horse Dung for fifteen days : and then take it out, and Distill a Water thereof, according to art, two or three times over : Keep this water as the Apple of your eye, for it is very precious, and will prove in all Melancholly sicknesses very effectuously, and in the pain and trembling of the heart, the Quantity to be given at one time is a Dram, which is the weight of lxxij barley corns. If you prove it, you will praise it, And this is the Jewel of health, with many other more excellent things.

43. They are not like to lose their Senses, nor their Understanding, in whose Nativity, the Moon doth apply to *Mercury*, either by Conjunction or Aspect. *Paromath. Argent.*

44. Set a round glaſs full of Water, against the hot Sunt, that it may stand fast, and then hold some thing that is very dry, and will take fire easily, nigh to the same Glaſs, between the Glaſs and the Sun, and it will set the same thing there holden, on fire. Which is very strange to behold. And the rather because Fire, a hot and dry Element is procured out of Water, a cold and moist Element. *Johannes Baptist. Porta.*

45. *Didimus* doth write ; that Sheep are wont to follow them that stop their Eares with their Wool.

46. Against the Quartane Ague, take all the Urine, that the party makes at one time in his fit, and knead Flower therewith : And when the same is baked, then give it to a Dog of the same House : and when you have done this thrice, the party will be whole, and rid of that disease : And in his stead,

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the Dog will be sick. But for a Man that is sick, a Dog must be chosen, if a Woman, a Bitch must be had. This was taken out of an often proved Experiment of an *Italian*, by the Report of *Mizaldus*.

47. Whosoever desires to see the Sun eclipsed without hurting their Eyes : Let them behold the shadow thereof in a Vessel, where Oyle is put : Where they may behold and see it without danger; for a fatty humour is not easily troubled. And what shapes or formes it doth receive, it representeth the same truly, *Mizaldus*.

45. A Lamén, or thin plate of Gold, born on the seam of the brain, doth strengthen the brain. The same hanged against the region or place of the heart, doth help the beating of the heart, and increaseth gladness. And if it be put upon the reins of the back, it strengthens the reins, and cooles the same, and ceaseth the pains of the back. But *Mizaldus*. wisheth that the same plate be beaten, and made of pure and fine Gold, when the Sun is in *Leo* called the Lyon : and *Jupiter*, and the Moon beholding each other happily. *Herm. Arnold. Villanovanus & alij.*

49. If the Lord of the Horoscope be in the seventh house combust, and the Sun hath no essential dignity in the same : then he that is then born, shall perish by the hands of many, which will rise against him. But if the Sun then have any power in the eleventh house, he shall die by the Kings commandment. *Taysnier*.

50. It is proved, and a Secret, That if three Graines of Mastick be given to the Patient, to

be swallowed every night at his going to bed it doth preserve him from the pains in the Stomach, and doth cure him. *Emperica benedicti Victorii*. I know by proof. it helps the Stomach marvellously.

51. This Water following breaks the Stone in the Bladder, and in the Reines. Take of the juice of Saxifrage, two pints, of Gromel, and of the juice of Parcely of either one pint, of the best Vinegar of a pleasant Wine, eight ounces; Distill all these together, and let the Liquor Distilled be kept in a glass with a narrow mouth: Of which minister in the morning an ounce at a time, as much at noon, and as much at evening going to bed. This is a proved Water, as saith *Fumanellus*.

52. To Dream that Eagles fly over your head, doth betoken evil fortune. To Dream that you see your Face in Water, signifies long life. To follow Bees, betokens gain or profit: to be married, signifies that some of your kinsfolks is dead: to dream that you Worship God, signifies Gladness: to look in a glass, doth pretend some issue or a child: to have Oyl poured upon you, signifies Joy. *Michael Scotus* and *Artemidotus*.

53. If you would have Copper to melt quickly and run easily, put the Hoofes of a Horse into the same, between the melting and pouring out thereof. *Mizaldus* had this Secret of an expert Italian.

54. Goates will not stray nor wander, if you cut of their Beards. *Florent*.

55. If you put a Toad in a new Earthen pot, and the same be covered in the Ground in the midst
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of a Corn-field, it is said there will be no hurtful tempests or stormes there. As *Archibius* did write unto *Antiochus* King of *Spira*. *Plinio* Authore.

56. If the Lord of the eighth House be found in the twelfth House, with an evil Planet, or in his evil Aspect, it shews the Child then born will die a captive, (that is) in prison, or as one that doth fly away. *Tayfn.*

57. Whosoever anoints their belly with this ointment following, it easeth the pain of the Head, it purgeth the stomach, it comforteth the Appetite, and clarifieth the Eyes. Take of the Juice of Smallege two Ounces of the Juice of Mercury four Ounces, of Goose-grease and Hens-grease, of each of them a pound, of Rosen two Ounces, of Mastick, and Frankincense, of each five Drams, of *Cassia Fistula* two Drams, and put thereto juice of Walwort and of the inner rind of Eldern, and mix them all well together, and make thereof an Ointment. This if it be well made, is a very good thing.

58. The Squinancy, or any other pain of the Throat will be helpt, with this following; Mark where a Swine doth rub him, and then rub your hand on the same wood, post, or stone, with which hand, rub your sore or swoln Throat. And as some say that have proved it, cut off a piece of the same Wood, where the Swine did rub himself, and rub the swoln or grieved place therewith. But the rubbing of the Swines neck, is the best for the neck, the leg for the leg, and so that part of the Swine, for the like part of the person, grieved or Diseased. This is a very true, and often proved Thing.

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59. Take a Pint of white Wine, one handful of Woodbine-leaves, or two or three ounces of the water of Woodbine, and a quarter of a pound of the powder of Ginger; seeth them altogether until they be something thick, and anoint a red pimples face therewith five or six times, and it will make it fair. Proved.

94. *Ludovicus Vives* doth write, That within the memory of his Ancestors or Fathers, there was a Sepulchre or Tomb pluckt up, wherein a burning Candle was found, made (as was witnessed by writing) five hundred years before. And when it was touched or handled, by and by, it was dissolved into powder. *Johannes Langius*.

60. If you would have a deep Well made, it is best to digge the same when the Sun is in the last parts of *Virgo*, before the Autumnal Equinoctial, (which is about the beginning of *September*, or immediately after; for then through the great heat and driness of the Summer, the Earth wants Rain. *Mizaldus* had this of one that was skilful in such things, which was a Master-Carpenter.

61. If any be bitten or stricken of a Scorpion, which shall eat Basil the same day, he shall be made whole thereof. *Aphri*. reports it.

62. If any falls sick in the hour of the *Sun*, he will have a strong Feaver or Ague: And many times shall be vexed in his mind, which shall bring no small hurt unto him. *Haley Abenragel*.

63. The Juyce of Coriander, given to them that have the Falling-sickness, to drink, will not suffer the Humour to ascend into the Head, and it worketh great help to the diseased. This was written in an old Book.

64. Whosoever is brought weak, either by some grievous sickness or disease, or long continuance, or by wounds received, or any other way, and thereupon have a siege of Melancholy, like to black blood, he shall doubtless die the next day after.

Hippocrates in suis Aphor.

65. A Sawsheam, or red pimpled face, is helpt with this Medicine following: Take *Ennula campana*, four ounces; and seeth it with Vinegar, till the Vinegar be sodden in; then stamp it small, and then put thereto Quicksilver and Brimstone, of either four drams, and Barrows-grease, four ounces; beat them altogether, and make thereof a Plaister, and lay it to the infected or spotted place in the face all night; and on the morrow wash it off with warm water. Do this six or seven nights, and it will help it, without doubt.

66. The first Seeds that the He, or Male Piony, brings forth (being round and black) do marvelously recreate, or help them that have the Falling-sickness: If some thereof be stampd and taken with *Ozimel Scillirick*, which is to be had at the Apothecaries; and with the Syrup of *Sticados*, and a little Nutmeg: which *Lemnius* doth witness for a very truth.

67. Whosoever is stricken or hurt of any venomous Worm, or other thing; or else bitten with a mad Dog; let them take heed diligently, that the same thing that did hurt them, see them not until they be perfectly whole. For the Hebrew Physicians say, That the Party hurt, shall then die, or else be in peril afresh; yea, though they begin to wax whole when they see them. *Mizaldus*.

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68. One handful of Basil, with ten Sea-Crabs, stamp't or beaten together, doth make all the Scorpions to come to that place, that are nigh to the same. *Aphri.* as *Mizaldus* saith.

69. If the Lord of the eight House, be afflicted in the fourth House, it signifies the Child then born shall die in Prison. *Taysnier.*

70. Wine, wherein the Rind of an Ash-tree hath been sodden, drunk fasting, six or seven mornings together, doth perfectly help them that are tormented with the pains of the Spleen. (which makes one to have a great pain in the left side, and there most grief is after meat.) And if you anoint the grieved place, so long with an Oyntment, called *Dea-thea*, every morning and evening, it is an excellent thing likewise.

71. Behold a singular Oyl or Balm drawn out of Wax and Turpentine, which dryeth, and mightily pierceth where the same is applied, taken out of the secret of *Fallopins*. Take of the purest and clearest Turpentine that can be gotten, one pound and two ounces: of new yellow Wax, that is Odoriferous, twelve ounces; of Nutmegs and Cloves of each one ounce: of common Ashes six ounces: beat all these well together, then put the same into a Retort, fenced with Lute of Wisdom, and set in Ashes, and destil it with a slow fire at the first, and afterwards encrease the fire until all be destilled; which gathered, destil the second time, in a Glass-body with an Head and Receiver, putting unto it before the destilling, four ounces of the Ponder of Brick, or Tiles: Which diligently Luted in the Joynts, maintaining fire under it, until no more will

will come ; then have you purchased an Oyl of Rubine colour, which worketh Miracles in Wounds, especially where Sinnews be harmed. This also helpeth any manner of Rheume proceeding of a cold cause ; It helpeth also the Cough by anointing the Region of the Breast therewith : And it is also of great importance unto many other griefs ; invented and proved by the Author many times. This excellent Oyl I had out of that worthy Book, called the new Jewel of Health ; which many perhaps shall read in this my Book, that otherwise should never have seen that Book, which makes me describe herein some notable things therein uttered.

72. A notable and often proved Plaister, to destroy any Imposthume, Swelling, and Strich, in what place of the Body soever it be, is now described as followeth : Take of the Root of Hollihock, (clean washed and cut in pieces) two good handfuls, and seeth the same in fair Water, until the said Root be something tender ; then take out the said Root, and put into the same Water, of Fenerick and Linseed, of each one handful (something stamped and bruised) and seeth them together until the Water be roping like birdlime ; then stamp the said Root of Hollihock, and put it to the Fenegreek and Linseed, with an handful of Barley-meal, and fry them together with Boars-grease, and Barrows-grease ; and if need be you may take Sheeps-sewer, then lay a Plaister thereof to the Sore, or grieved place, as hot as the Party may suffer it : And let the same Medicine lye on the Sore twelve hours unremoved at the least, then apply another Plaister of the same thereto, in such order, and within
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nine Plaisters, it will work the full effect. It hath helpt, and dissolved the Plurisie. with the applying of three or four Plaisters. A thing of small cost and great virtue.

73. When the Lord of the Ascendant is impedit or unfortunate of the Lord of the second house, it signifies the sick shall not be healed, and with great expence of Money, or else die. And universally, mark what Planet doth infortunate the Lord of the Ascendant, the sick is like to have harm, or hindrance by such things, as that House doth signify, whereof that infortunating Planet is the Lord or Signifier. *Patromath. Gnat. Ryff.*

74. Egg-shells dried and beaten to poulder, and given in white Wine, breaketh the Stone: It is a tryed Medicine, as one affirmed to me.

75. Sugar (especially *Valentia* Sugar) made in Poulder, and put into a Wound or Cut, doth not onely cleanse all corruption from it, and consumes all superfluous fleshy matter in it, but also heals it marvellously. If you will, you may mix a little fresh Butter therewith, whereby it will not be of the less vertue. This is a sure, excellent, easie, and a ready Medicine, who list to make use of it.

76. A certain Wench was born within sixteen miles of *London*, who within a year and a half after her birth, did begin to eat Earth, Stones, Brick, and Gravel; and so continued therein (having all her delight in eating of such trash) also she did eat the Wollen-sleeves that were on her arms; besides that, she did eat a Glove. And on a time her Mother did feed her with Milk, there chanced to fall a great large piece of Soot, out of the Chim-

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ney into the said Milk, which soot, the said child
took out of the dish with her fingers, and did eat it
most greedily. She abhorred bread and butter, and o-
ther such natural things, whereby she was marvelously
consumed with a flux, and she yet liveth, having
nothing on her but Skin and Bone. I saw her in June
1577. She was born in *Charsey* within two or three
miles of *Stranes*, at which time she was full three
years of age.

77. It is said that Mice Dung, with the ashes of
burned Wasps, and Hazel Nuts, and a little Vine-
gar of Roses put thereto, doth trimly deck a bald
place with haire, if the same place be often rubbed
or anointed therewith *Mizaldus*.

78. If any Beast of the Female kind, doth piss
upon the Urine of a Wolf newly made: the same
Beast shall never conceive. *Pythagoras*.

79. *Aetius* gives counsel, that the Dog be buri-
ed or put into the ground, in any wise, which is
dead by taking his Disease from a man; for it is
certain (saith he) that dangerous and many effects
(the man being escaped) are turned or overpower-
ed into him.

80. The troublesome or unpleasant noise of Frogs
in the night, will cease, if you set a Candle burning
on the bank-side nigh the water where they be. Or
else many lights, according to the greatness of the
place where they be. *Africanus Geopon*: and this
was proved at *Paris*, by the means of a President
that thereat was troubled *Mizaldus*.

81. It is the opinion of many, that an Herb cal-
led *Leucanthus*, that is white Thorn (even as the
Bay-tree) it is never stricken nor touched with
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lightning, nor is it not touched with any evil from Heaven.

82. *Zael* saith, that he hath proved in many Nativities, where the Moon is in *Virgo*, opposite with the Sun; that the child then born, hath been drowned.

X 83. Six Cloves of Garlick stampd and strained into a draught of Rhennish Wine, and so drunk is a present remedy for the Chollick, Stone and Strangury. An excellent tried Medicine, if you take it three days.

84. Make powder of the Flowers of Elder: gathered on Midsummer-day, being well dryed, and use a spoonful thereof in a good draught of Borage-Water, morning and evening, first and last, for the space of a month: and it will make you seem young a great while. This I had out of an old written book, as proved.

85. Take Horse Leaches, and burn them to powder, and mix them with Eysell, then use to rub the place therewith where you would have hair grow no more: and there will no hair grow in that place. This was a secret of a notable Practicer.

86. Whosoever uses to drink butter Milk, they will be laxative, although they be very much bound and cannot go to stool, proved.

87. They are like to have the Falling Sickness, in whose Nativities the Moon and Mercury do not behold the one the other. Or where neither of them do behold the Ascendent: and whereas in the day time *Saturn* is the signifier of the qualities of the mind, and then being in an Angle, and *Mars* in Nativities of the night.

That young Beasts be not hurt of their Tetters, or that being hurt of them, they may be cured. Tye unto their necks a Date stone bored thorow, *Mizaldus*.

89. If you give to them that have the Falling-Sickness, this Medicine or Antidote following three days, whiles the Moon is conjunct to *Jupiter*, it will help him. Take of Mace, the Seeds of Piony, and the Roots of the same, half a Dram, the leaves of Gilliflowers, and the Pimroses, (which some take to be Daisies) one Dram, stamp them, and give it to drink with white Wine, the party being fasting. *Mizaldus*.

90. A certain Country-Man did sleep open mouthed in the fields, a Serpent crept in at his mouth and so into his body; but after the same man cured himself thereof with eating of Garlick; but he infected his Wife with poyson, by having to do with her carnally, whereof she died, which was very rare and strange. *Volateranus*.

91. Powder made of the stone of a Swallow, given to drink to them that have the Falling-Sickness, Healeth them without doubt, for it is a sure experiment. *Petrus Hisp*.

92. If you would know whether a Woman be conceived with child or no: give to her two spoonfuls of Water, and one spoonful of clarified Honey, mingled together to drink when she goeth to sleep: and if she feel gripings and pains in her belly in the night, she is with Child, if she feel none, she is not. This is very true and often proved.

93. He will never be poor, of whose Nativity *Jupiter* is Ruler, or Lord.

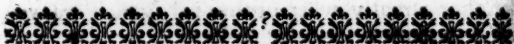
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94. This

94. This following will take Spots out of the Face, and beautifie the same. Put seven whole Eggs in most pure and strong Vinegar, and let them lye therein so long, until their shells be as soft as their inward skins; and mix thereto four ounces of Mustard-seed, before made in powder (or stamp) then stamp, or grind them together, and therewith let the Face be anointed. This hath been proved. And *Tortula* affirms it to be good for the like purpose.

95. Green Nettles laid in the Urine of one that is sick, and so steeped therein for the space of twenty four hours, if, after the same time, they be taken out green, and fresh, it betokens the sick Party will recover of that sickness: If they be withered, it is a great token of death. *Mizaldus*.

The End of the Fifth Book.



The Sixth Book.

1. IF you would have any Beast, or any part of the same (of what colour soever he be) to be turned into White; shave off the hairs, and smoke the same in flowers. *Mizaldus*.

2. The Berries of white Thorn, taken with white Wine, is of great force, for destroying or expelling of the Stone. It is known by the practice or experience of the Country-men. *Mizaldus*.

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3. It is proved, and a secret; That if you give to them that have the Hickop, every morning three hours before Meat, one Root of green Ginger, and immediately after, drinking two draughts of Malmsey, you shall see that he will be soon cured. *Emperori benedicti Victoris.*

4. A Sword; wherewith a Man is killed, the blood being clean wipt from it, and put into a hot fire, which being taken out of the same, doth manifestly shew the Murderer: for so far as the Sword was in the wounded Person, so far it will be of a contrary colour to the Sword. It was told me that a Bishop did try it to be true, by one of his men.

5. If the blood of a Cock be dried, and made in powder, and mixt in Wine, wherein there is Water, it makes the Water swim above. This was the relation of a Learned Monk, *Mizaldus.*

6. Plantane hath a marvellous virtue, to deliver them of the Plague that are infected therewith: given any manner of way. Proved.

7. The more lively and quick that a Horse is, the more deeper he will thrust his Nose into the water, when he drinks. *Mizaldus.*

8. Swine and Elephants do hate white garments; Bulls and Oxen hate marvellously garments that be of purple colour; which many under such apparel, have sometimes proved to their great grief. *Plinius.*

9. The white of an Egg, and the Juyc of Pelitory of the Wall, well beaten together, and skimmed; and then one drop of that Liquor put into the Eye, doth heal the Web in the Eye. This is true and proved.

10. A proved Oyl, which is very good for the Dropſie, called *Aſcites*, if all the belly, or paunch be anointed therewith. Take of Turpentine one pound, of Frankincenſe, Maſtick, Myrrh, of each two Drams, *Laudanum*, one Dram, Nutmegs, Cloves, Galengall, Zeodary, of each one Dram and a half, of the juice of Walwort, and the juice of Cucum-ber (called *Cucumis asininus*) of either one ounce. Let them be powdered, that are to be powdered, and let them be mixed together, and put them in a Limbeck, and let an oyl be diſtilled thereof, and it is a moſt ſecret thing, not only to take away the ſwelling of the belly in the Dropſie, called *Aſcites*, but alſo any Flegmatick ſwelling of any other member of mans body, and it is mervellous for the pains of joints, and members of a cold cauſe *Emperici benediſt*.

11. A certain Butchers Wife being with child, as ſhe was ſtirring the blood of a Beaſt, newly killed, a little thereof did chance to ſprinkle, or ſput on her face, which ſhe with her hand, ſuddenly wiped the ſame on her left Thigh : who after, being brought to bed of a Boy, the ſame Boy had, and hath the like mark, or bloud-spot on the left Thigh. They that knew both the Father, Mother, and the Child, told this for a very truth. Therefore it is not good to hit a Woman ſuddenly, being with Child, on the face or otherwiſe, leſt the Child ſhe is withal, be ſo marked, as is declared in other places of this book.

12. If you will take the hair from any place of the body, and would have it to grow there no more : Stamp Ants Eggs, with the juice of Hen-

hane and Hemlock, or with the blood of a Bat or
Bermouse, and anoint the place therewith. *Mi-
zaldus.*

13. If you cut the Liver of a Beast in pieces and
put into the same pieces, the powder of *Nux vomica*
called the Spuing Nut (which is to be had at the A-
pothecaries,) the same pieces being strewed or laid
in an open place, where Ravens and Crows may
resort thereto, the Crows or Ravens that eat
thereof cannot fly away, whereby you may take
them easily. This I know to be certain and
true.

14. The Little Bird called *Linaria*, begins to
leave singing, and also to be sick, when the Star
called the little Dog, doth rise, and will pluck off
her Feathers; which chanceth about the midst of
July, as we have proved by one another (saith *Mi-
zaldus*) the space of ten years, and thereupon, have
shewed to many, that then that Star did surely rise.
And in a Lark, we have observed the same, (saith
he) in the rising of Arcture with the Sun. And it
is not to be doubted, but that other Birds, and li-
ving things, have their pecvliar Star, wheteby they
are moved to sing, or to hold their peace, to
sadness, or gladness, which I desire the diligent
searchers of Secrets to observe. Thus much *Mi-
zaldus.*

15. The Lord of the Ascendent in the twelfth
house, in a humane sign, without the Beams of
good Stars: the child then born will be imprison-
ed. This is true and often proved, And also *Tasht*
affirms it.

16. This

+ 16. This following is a true and proved Medicine for the Tooth-ach; Take a handful of ground Ivy, as much of Spear-mint, and as much of Salt, stamp them all, a little together; then put all the same into a Pint of Vinegar, and seeth all well over the fire; then strain it well, and put the same into a close glassen Vessel, or Bottle: and when you will use it, take a spoonful thereof, and put it into the side of the mouth that aketh, and hold down your cheek, that it may descend to the Roots of the aking-teeth, and it will take the Ach and Pain away presently. This was taught me by a Woman, to whom many resorted for help, who used only this Medicine therefore.

17. Bodies that are stricken with Lightning, do remain uncorrupt; therefore in ancient time, they did neither burn nor bury the bodies of such as were stricken or killed with Lightning: whereupon it is plain to all men, that the same bodies are not corrupt as others. *Miraldus.*

18. If the Lord of the eighth House be in the third or ninth house, it signifies the child then born shall die among strangers, or out of his Native soyl. *Tassnier.*

19. Wormwood newly stamped with the white of an Egg, and laid over the Eyes, takes away the blood and redness thereof, of what Humour soever it come. This hath been often proved.

+ 20. If one do take this Confection following, fasting, he shall never fall into the Pains of Collic, nor Ilack passions: Take the outward Rinds of Radishes, being taken or pared thick, two pound; white Honey four pound: let them boyl together

unto the consumption of half the Honey; then put thereto of the poudre of Cinamon, Cloves, Nutmegs, Mace, black Pepper, of each two drams: mix them together, and let them be put up in a clear Vessel, and let the Patient take and eat every morning half an ounce of the said Rinds of the Radishes, *Benedictus victorius Faventinus.*

21. If you take the poudre of Brazel, and mingle it well with Milk, but so that it be very red, and put therein either a Staff, Wood, or Bone, letting it lye therein eight dayes, it will make the same Wood or Bone red for ever. I had this out of an old written Book.

21. To dream that you go over a broken bridge, betoken, fear; to have your head cut off for an hainous offence, signifies the death of Friends: to make clean the hands, betokens trouble: to see hands filthy and foul, betokens loss and danger: to feed Lambs, signifies geief or pain: to take Flies, signifies wrong or injury. *Mizaldus.*

22. A Garland made of Ivy-leaves, and laid upon Womens paps, or dugs, that hang flapping down, it gathers them together, and makes them round: Ivy-leaves stanipt and applyed thereto, work the like effect. *Mizaldus.*

23. A Toad being stricken of a Spider, or of a Serpent, doth help her self by eating of Plantane. *Plinius.* For confirmation whereof, a Toad being on the ground, hard by a Wall, a Spider did suddenly strike the said Toad on the back; which when the Toad felt, beginning to swell, did eat of Plantane, nigh unto the place; whereof being well, the Spider again did poyson the Toad with her ve-

nome as before : which done, the Toad preserved herself with the Plantane as before : but one that chanced to behold the same, did then cut up the said Plantane, and took it away from that place : which Toad the third time being stricken or rather poysoned of the Spider, as before, immediately searched for the said Plantane, (for as it should seem) there was no more Plantane nigh to that place ; which when she could find none, did swell so sore, that soon after she did burst. The Party that did take away the same Plantane, and did see this strange and marvellous matter, did tell me this for a very truth, whose credit I know to be such, that I make bold here to place the same, having such good occasion. And I heard that a Nobleman of this Realm, did see the like.

24. Whosoever is sore grieved with the Stone, and cannot make water ; let them drink a spoonful of the Poulder called *Pulvis Diuriticus* in a draught of white Wine (which you may have at the Apothecaries) and use it three or four mornings together, or something less, if you list. Give half so much to a Child, and without doubt it will make them avoid the Stone, and to make water presently. I have proved it oftentimes, to be a soveraign thing in this case. And there was one from whom I had it, that got therewith above an hundred pounds by the year. If it be truly and well made, you will praise it well, as I have done ; and because that it is such a notable thing, I would have it better known, and more used. This is proved to be true.

25. Make Oyl of Paper, by burning fair Paper

on a clean Pewter dish, or Sawcer, : or hold a piece of fair paper folded, on a knives point, and set fire on the nethermost end thereof, and hold the same nigh unto the Sawcer, and out thereof will come a little moist Oyle, and be on the Sawcer. Take a little thereof, on a clean feather, and put it into the eye that is sore or dim sighted : and it will help the same marvellously. It hath been proved in many to be excellent. And *Eronimus* doth praise it therefore.

26. If the Lord of the Ascendent be in the eighth house, infortunate, it signifies that the sick party will kill himself, through evil guiding him. *Patromath.*

27. A Spirit came nigh unto M. *Brutus*, leading an Army of men from *Asia*, when *Brutus* asked him who he was, he answered, I am thy evil Angel, whom thou shalt see in the fields of *Philopis* in *Thessaly*, and there *Brutus* died in conflict. *Plutarch.*

28. Agrimony sod in Red Wine, wherewith if wounds be washt, it cleanseth all filth and corruption from them. And the leaves of Agrimony beaten or stamp, and tied on wounds that be ill joined, or knit together, by and by doth open them. A Spaniard told this to *Mizaldus*.

29. He that receiveth a sum of Money in the hour of *Venus*, he will spend the same with Women in pleasure and wantonness.

30. The Juice of Rew mixt with honey, that hath been skummed, and a little thereof put into the eye at once, riddeth them that use it, of an ancient dimness of the Sight. Proved.

31. If a Woman hath not conceived, and thou wilt know whether she shall Conceive or not, let her be well covered with cloaths, and beneath, let a Fumigation be made of hot things, and Odoriferous, or sweet Smelling: for if the smell come up, thorow her body, to the Nose, and Mouth; besure that she is not then barren of her self. *Hippocrates, Aphor.*

32. Whosoever is grieved or tormented with the Stone, let them take an ounce of the Roots of Radish, cut in slices, and lay the same to steep in half a pint of good white Wine all night: then strain the same well, and put thereto of the Electuary, called *Lithontriphon*, of the description of *Nicholas*; and also *Sustinum* one dram; mix them with the said white Wine, wherein the Radish was infused, and let him that is grieved with the Stone, receive all the same at one time, and you shall see a marvellous work thereof: If need be, let him receive the like quantity thereof, three or four dayes together. This is proved to be sure, and an excellent thing for the breaking and avoiding the Stone and Gravel. Be sure that the Apothecaries make it of good stuff.

+ 33. A head of Garlick (the skin pulled off, and a little bruised) laid, by equal parts, to the hollow parts of the Soals of their Feet, that are grievously tormented with the Tooth-ach, especially if it come of a cold cause, and be of the nether Jaw, it will help them with speed, by drawing the Humours out of the Soals of the Feet. I have known them that have taken this Medicine, and have not been troubled with the Tooth-ach of seven years after.

34. That

34. That man is like to have few children, in whose Nativity *Saturn* is in the Ascendent, opposite to *Venus*, or if *Venus* be in a barren sign, infortunate of *Saturn* : or if *Venus* be in the House of *Saturn*, especially, infortunate of him. *Paromat. Gnat. Ryff.*

35. If you rub or touch Warts with the leaves of a Fig-tree, the Warts will consume and vanish away, so that the said leaves be buried within the earth, or ground. Some ascribe the same to the heart of a Pigeon. *Mizaldus.*

36. Elephants of all other beasts, do chiefly hate the Mouse : So that if they shall see, or perceive that a Mouse hath once touched their meat, that is before them, they loath the same, and will not eat thereof. *Plinius.*

37. If the Lord of the Ascendent be combust in the twelfth house, he that is then born, will dye in prison or captivity. *Tassnier.*

38. The powder of Berries of the Briony, drunk in the Water, wherein water-cresses are sod, doth marvellously heal the Strangury.

39. If any Woman great with Child shall take this drink following, every other day in the morning, three hours before she eat any meat, beginning the same about ten days, or a fortnight before the time of the birth, the birth shall not only be made more easie, but also she shall bring forth her child without pain. Take of the great Treacle, one scruple (which is the weight of 24 Barly cornes, the powder of Liquorice, and the powder of Cinnamon, of either three graines : of good White wine one ounce and a half, mix all together, and make thereof

thereof a drink, and let it be given to the Woman with Child, in such manner as is before said. *Beneditus Victorius Faventinus*, in his Book called *Emperica*.

40. This following will stop the Bloody-Flux: Take Yarrow and Plantane, of each a like quantity: stamp them well together, and put thereto red Wine, and strain it well, and drink a good draught thereof first and last, three or four dayes together, and certainly it will stay it. It is an easie and precious thing.

41. If you will prove whether a Woman be with Child or not, let her make Water in a Copper, or Brazen Vessel, and let a Needle lye therein a whole night, that is bright and clean, and if she be with Child, the Needle will have red spots on it: if not, then it will be blackish, or rusty. It is proved, as *Mizaldus* was informed.

42. If a Crow chance to eat of the rest of the Flesh, whereof a Wolf hath eaten before, the same Crow will dye soon after. *Alianus* and *Philes*.

43. Neither Falling-sickness, nor Devil, will infect or hurt one in that place where a Bay-tree is. The *Romans* call it the Planets of the good Angel, &c. *Mizaldus*.

44. Writing Ink, tempered with Water, Wine, or Vinegar, wherein Wormwood hath been steeped, Mice will not eat of the Papers, or Letters, written with that Ink. And also Cloaths wherein Wormwood is laid or wrapt, is safe from Moths; and if there be any there, it will drive them away. *Diascorides*.

45. Oxen

45. Oxen, Kine, Bullocks, or Horses, shall not be troubled with any Disease, if you hang a Harts-horn upon them. *Absyrus.*

46. If you joyn a Lyons-skin, to the skin of a Wolf, or any other Beast, it will make them without Hair, or cause their Hair to fall, or consume away. *Mizaldus.*

47. Coleworts, and Rue, (called Herb Grace) are so contrary in nature, the one to the other, that they ought not to be sowed nigh together. *Fracastorius.*

48. If any Sheep, or else hairy Beast, or else Man or Woman, be full of Worms in any Wound or Sore; take the wooll of the same Sheep, or hair of that Beast, or some of the hair of the Man or Woman, and hide the same before the rising of the Sun, under the bark of a Tree called *Trembla*, which is a kind of *black Poplar* Tree. Do thus certain dayes, and thou shalt see the Worms fall out of the wound or sore, miraculously, or else they will dye or leave that place. There be that ascribe the same to the Birch-tree, and also to the Root of wild Succory, hanged at the Neck in manner of a Cross. Which *Mizaldus* saw observed in a Dog, one of whose Ears was at that time almost eaten off with worms.

49. Put two or three of the Seeds of *Oculus Christi* into your Eye, and within a while after you shall not feel them; whereby you will think that they are not there: But at the last they will drop or fall out of themselves, compassed about with slimy water, which hinders the sight: which if you use, they will cleanse and clear your Eyes
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marvellously. This I know to be very true.

50. If one do buy Warts of them that have them and give them a pin therefore; if the patty that hath the Warts, prick the same pin upon some garment that he wears daily, or commonly, the Wart or Warts without doubt will diminish and wear away privily, and be clean gone in a short time. This was told me for an often tryed and proved thing, yea, and by such a one, as had seen the experience thereof. Also Warts rubbed with a piece of raw Beef, and the same beef being buried within the ground, the Warts will wear and consume, as the beef doth rot in the ground. Proved.

51. Salt Armoniack stamp't, and mixt with Water doth make white Letters, nothing differing from the colour of Paper, but if you hold the same Paper to the fire; the Letters will wax black. *M-xaldus.*

52. A thing to be marvelled at, and worthy to be remembred, doth follow; declared by *Jovianus Pontanus*. A certain *Cretane* Woman (saith he) was married to a Fisher, whom he did use as his wife, according to the Order of Marriage, many years (as *Anthonus Panthormita*, being a friend of the same Fisher, was wont to tell to the said *Jovianus Pontanus*, when he was young :) which woman after she had been merried fourteen years, did become to be a man, and suddenly there sprung out the Members of Man, in the natural place of the woman. Which being so ashamed of her condition as one that thought she should be mockt or laught to scorn, both of men and Women, became a Religious woman, and lived in a Monastery, where

he knew her the rest of her life. And she was buried at *Rome*, in the Temple of *Mary* or *Minerva*. And another Woman, called *Aemilin*, was married to one *Anthony*, a Citizen of *Epula*; and after she was married twelve years, she was changed into a Man, and was conversant with men, using then the Arts and Trades of Men, in that Country, and married a Wife. This writes he in the Tenth Book, *De rebus Cœlestibus*, &c. *Mizaldus*.

53. This following will help the yellow Jann-dies, with Speed: Take a Bur-root, the greater the better; scrape it clean; then take a pot of new Ale, and put your Root therein, and the Ale will boyl, and let it be therein one day, and one night, well stopped; and then let the Patient drink a good draught, two or three times, and he will be whole certainly. Proved.

54. The Sick is much to be feared, if in the Ascendent, or in the eight House, or with their Lords, there will be evil Stars or Planets: but if good Planets be there, it is safe enough. *Jatromath. Gnat. Ryff.*

55. *Aristotle* and *Avicen* do affirm, That of the round & short Egg, the Cock-chicken doth come: of the long and sharp Egg, the Hen-chicken. *Mizaldus*.

56. If you put yellow Amber into hot melted Wax (before well skimmed) it will be then as soft Clay, so that you may make things thereof, in what form or fashion you will, it will be so tractable and soft. *Mizaldus* had this secret of a certain cunning Lapidary.

57. There is nothing better to drive away Serpents

pents or Snakes, then the smoke of old Leather, or old Shooes burned, or else to bring them out of ones body, before crept into them by sleeping open mouthed. Whereof *Marc. Gatinica*, an excellent Physician, doth write, That the like did happen to a certain man in his time, to whom, when many Medicines were given in vain, the said man received the smoke of old Leather at his mouth, by a Funnel, so that it went into his body; and as soon as the venemous thing in his body felt the smoke, it came out at his Fundament; which was a marvellous great Viper, to the great marvel and fear of all them that were present.

58. Seeth the inner Rind of the young branches of a Hazel-tree in small Ale, until half be consumed, and let them that have the Strangury, drink a good draught thereof first and last, for the space of eight or nine dayes together, and it will help them certainly, for it never fails. Therefore prove it, and praise it.

59. A notable Medicine for the Sciatica doth follow: Take Ox-dung, and Pigeons-dung, of either one pound, and mix them well together, with one Pottle of white Wine; and let them boyl together until half the Wine be consumed; then strain it through a linnen cloth; then put thereto half a pound of Honey, and twelve yolks of Eggs, and half a pound of melted Wax: mix all together with as much Barley-meal, as will suffice for the making of it in a Plaister, and put it hot to the painful place. This was proved by King *Henry* the Fifth, as the Writing did witness, out of which I had this. Besides, it hath been since proved.

60. A green Lizard hath a great delight to behold a man in the face, for he will lovingly fawn upon him as a Dog, with the moving of his Tail. And as much as in him lies, will defend him from a Serpent that lies lurking in the herbs to hurt him.

Elemius.

61. The juice or water strained out of Radish Roots, before stamped, mixed with White Wine and the pouders of Turpentine burned or dried in the Sun, and so received, is an excellent Medicine to break and drive forth the stone. And it is given with happy success. A thing proved, much better then Gold. *Mizald.*

62. Lay a thin piece of raw beef to the forehead of them that have lost their voice, and let it lie there to all night unremoved, and it will help them presently, or at the least within three or four several applications.

63. Take the Bones of Beasts which be found in the fields, and chiefly Horses (because they be best therefore) and let them be well washed, and after let them be dried at the Sun, then put them in a Cauldron with Water, and let them seeth long, and gather the fat that swims above, wherewith anoint the Gout or Palsie, of whatsoever cause they come, and it will be helped.

64. Seeth Ivy, Mugwort, Walwort, and the inner rind of Eldern in Water, with much Salt and bathe therewith any Sciatica, twice or thrice a day, for eight or nine days together; and the party grieved will assuredly be made whole. This I had out of an old written Book wherein were many excellent things.

65. If you sprinkle the powder of Saffron round about the wick upon the Oyl in a fair green and bright Lamp of Glass, and let the same burn; (so that there be none other light in the same chamber) it will so beautifie all things in the same place, with a fair yellow colour. You may prove it by other colours likewise.

66. There is nothing better to draw forth thorns pricks, or any other thing whatsoever, in any parts of the body wheresoever it be, than black Sope applied to the place, letting the same lye thereto about twelve hours without removing of the same.

67. A certain Noble Matron in Spain had a strong imaginanion of a great Ethiopian painted in her chamber, with others in the time of the Act of generation: Which Lady afterward was delivered of a Boy, like to the great Ethiopian painted before named. Which child being born, every one believed, that she had lain with some one of the slaves of the Sarazens, for that the Child was like none of his Parents: whereupon the Ministers of Justice, with consent of her husband, and others did decree that she should be burned after the months end. But before the Ministration of this Justice or execution, certain Wise men were called, where one desired that he might see the place where the child was begot, which when he had seen, he considered that that Generation was by the strength of the imaginative virtue: And then he said, that that great Ethiopian was the Father of the child, bringing for the confirmation thereof, that place of the Bible, where *Jacob* put speckled Rods before the Sheep

Sheep, by which Imagination, the Ewes brought forth speckled Lambs, which when he had spoken, the Lady was delivered from burning. Wherefore, as I have writtē in other places of this Book, men ought not rashly to dislike their Wives, (having none other occasion,) because their Children are unlike to their Parents: For as you see here, and in *Jacob's Lambs*, Imagination is of marvellous force in the time of Generation, which doth not only work in Men, but in Beasts; *Gaius Julius* writes this History, who, as it should seem, hath it out of *Lyra*.

68. The Flowers of Marigolds, as also of Succory, and of certain other Herbs, do begin to open at the Rising of the Sun, at noon they are fully and wholly opened, but they are closed, or are shut, when the Sun doth set. Therefore some call it, and such other, *Sponsus Solis*, the Spouse of the Sun. Because they sleep, and are awaked with him. Or, *Mixaldu*. And the dayly trial thereof affirms it.

69. If Asses do eat much of Hemlocks, they will be cast thereby into a dead and deep sleep, that they will seem to be dead. Which have deceived the Country-men, being ignorant thereof, for as they have been slaying off their skins, (thinking that they were dead) the silly Asses have stirred and waked out of their sleep, to the great terror of them that did slay them, or cut off their skins, and to the great laughing of them that did behold them, as *Andrew Mathiasus*, that Learned Philisician, hath written in this Commentary upon *Diascorides*.

70. Doctor Dove (living near *Alisbury* in *Buckingham*

inghamshire) Riding forth one Morning to Visit a Patient, and returning home-wards, met with some of his Neighbours at a little Ale-house, put his Horse into an Old Shed joyning to the Backside of the House; where *Nobs* (for that is the Horses name) having nothing to eat, except Sticks ends, or Old Rotten Wall, and his Master drinking of good Ale, which *Nobs* wanting, used his endeavour to supply himself: (like a busie Wasp with a Honey-pot) It hapned that his Hostis had Brewed the Night before, and *Nobs* smelling the warm Ale working in the Fat (which joyned to the other side of the Old Wall) Nuzzles down a Hole and gets his head through, drinking so much New Ale, that not being able to stand, lies down and falls into a dead Drunk Sleep. His Master having likewise taken a good Dose, goes to the Shed to take out his Horse, finds him (to his thinking) stark Dead, and sends for a Coller-maker (dwelling hard by) and sells him his skin; so poor *Nobs* was Drag'd unto the Dunghil and flead, and left naked *Nobs* in the Cold, upon the Dunghil, and his Master trudges Home on Foot: His Wife asked him where *Nobs* was? Alack, quoth the Doctor, he is dead: Marry God-furbid, (quoth she) sure enough (said he) for I have Money in my Pocket for his skin; and so tells his Wife the Mischance, which made the Gentle-woman weep; (for she loved poor *Nobs*) and so her Husband and She went to Bed, and slept out their first sleep, but *Nobs* (like a drunken Beast) wakes, and finding himself very cold (for want of his Cloathes) makes haste Home; and finding the Gate shut, Neighs so loud, that he wakes his Mistress

stris (who knowing his Whehes, wakes the Doctor, and tells him Nobs was at the Gate: Fish, I have Money in my Pocket for his Skin. But I am sure 'tis Nobs's Whehey, and so slipt on a Peticoat about her Shoulders, and went down to the Gate, where stood poor Nobs all in White: Which joyful sight, made her run up Stairs to her Husband, and told him Nobs was at the Gate (but all in white) the Doctor rose and presently sent for a Butcher, and caused him to Elea five or six rotten Sheep, and so claps the warm Skins upon Nobs, and made him a very handsome woollen Coat, which ever since Nobs wears, and bears his Master two Tod of Wool every Year, (for he shears him twice a Year) to his great profit.

71. Put the Ashes of a burnt Snail, upon the spot in the Eye, and within three dayes it will take it away. *Barth.*

72. If a Woman that is too much weakned with her monthly Course, doth cast the same, or let the same run into a hole made into the ground, with a three squared Stake (the same Stake immediately after) being put or driven into the same hole, and so remain therein unremoved, her said Flux will stay or cease, being thought before to be uncurable. An honest Woman revealed this strange secret to me which proved the same to be true; & she learned it of a poor woman that required alms of her at door.

73. The Leaves of Dockes do loose the belly, and make one laxative: but the Seeds being taken, do bind, and are restrictive.

74. If Wine have taken any tartness, or Sowreness, take a pot filled with good water, and let it be

well covered; then set the same pot with Water in white Wine, (so that the pot stand under, or within the Wine) and at the three days end, if the Wine have gotten his former strength, the Water will smell, and then the Wine will like thee.

75. A piece of raw Beef not too thick, nor too thin, (being laid or steeped all the night before in good *Aqua Composita*) and applied to the temples of the forehead, without removing all night: and thus doing three or four nights, doth help the watering and pains of the eyes, and all distillations and rhums that come from the head or brain. One told me this, which had often proved it to be most true as a great Secret.

76. Anoint young Swallows with Saffron, and soon after the old Swallows will bring a Stone to them, wherewith the Dropsie will be cured, This I had out of a Book of secrets.

77. An Egg laid on a Thursday, and emptied and filled with Salt; and set it in the fire, remaining there until it may be made into powder, and then cankered teeth rubbed with the powder thereof it both kills the Canker, and the Worms that eat teeth, and destroys them. Proved.

79. This following will destroy Ring-Worms, Tettors, and Scales in the hands; Take white Copperice, the quantity of two beans, and put it into a pint of clear water, till it be dissolved and melted, and with the water wash the place or hands, till they be whole. Proved.

80. Stamp Parsly in White Wine, then strain it well, and drink a good draught thereof, and it will cause thee to make Water, and break the Stone,

use it five or six times. This hath been well proved.

81. The Wise and learned men in old time did think that a Toad put into a new earthen pot, and set it within the ground, and so covered with earth in the midst of a field, will drive away Crows or Birds from Corn that is sowed there. But about Harvest time they will that it be digged up, and so cast forth of the limits of the Fields, lest the Corn be bitter thereby.

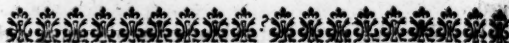
82. A little piece of the Navel string of a Child, that is newly born, enclosed in a Ring, and so born that it may touch the flesh or bare skin, is a most pure help and remedy against the great pains and torments of the Collick. *Mizaldus.*

83. They whose hair of the Eye-brow do touch or meet together, of all other are the worst. They do shew that he or she is a wicked person, and an eater of servants, and given to unlawful and naughty acts: which *Johannes Indagnies* saith, he hath observed in old women being Witches, which were led to be burned, whose eye-browes were such. As *Thaddeus Hageccius* hath also noted.

The End of the Sixth Book.

I. 4

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The Seventh Book.

I.

+ **T**HE Water wherein the leaves of Plantane, that grows close to the ground, and near the root is sod, being drunk twice every day, morning and evening, first and last, half a pint at a time, for the space of four or five days, helps perfectly all griefs and Diseases of the bladder. A true Medicine, and often proved.

2. A notable Water for the breaking of the Stone. Take of the juice of Saxifrage, two pound, of the juice of Gromel, and of the juice of Parsly, of each one pound, of the juice of Bettony, of the juice of Nettles, and of the juice of Ramsens, of each half a pound of strong white Vinegar, ten ounces, of the flowers and seeds of Broom, and of the roots of Radish, of each two handfuls, stamp the last rehearsed well, then mix the same with all the juices before mentioned, and thereof distill a Water, with a gentle fire; of which Water give to them that have the Stone, one ounce at one time, with Oximel Diurizick, (which you may have at the Apothecaries) using the same nine or ten days (if need be) and it will break and avoid the Stone wonderfully. There cannot be a better Medicine for the Stone. Prove it when you will.

2. In the Island of *Ireland* and *Orcades*, in certain

tain places there, there be certain Trees, much like unto Willow trees, out of which come forth certain little hairs, increasing by little and little into birds, having shapes of Ducks, hanging upon the bough by their nibs or bills: and when they are come to perfectness, they fly away of themselves, or fall in the next Seas, which Birds we call Barnacles, This is related by the people that doth dwell there *Mizaldus*.

4. If one be bewitched of any, put Quick-silver into a Quil, and stop it, or else into a hollow Nut-shel, enclosed fast with wax, and lay the same under the pillow of the party bewitched, or under the Threshold of the door where he enters into the house, or chamber.

5. He that will deliver a Sum of money, in the hour of the Moon, he shall have much ado to get it again, and at last shall mistrust of the recovering thereof, but at length he shall recover it, but not all. *Abablez. filius Zaed,*

6. Betony stampd and made in a plaister and laid to the eye, healeth a stripe in the eye. And if they be washed with the Water wherein Betony is sodden, they will be whole without dimness or blemish, and if you drink a dram of the powder of Betony, with the water of Betony, it will bring down and heal the cloudiness and bloodiness of the eyes: and if Betony be eaten, it dryeth up the tears of the eyes. All this and more hath been proved of Betony.

7. Mark on what day any one doth fall sick, and number the days from the sixth Calends of July (which is the 26 day of June) untill the day when the

the party did first begin to be sick, and divide the whole number by three, and then if at last one remain, he will be long sick, if three remain, then it is to be feared he will die of that sickness. This I had out of a book of secrets.

8. A marvellous cure of a Woman that was swolne, done by one *John Ardern*, whose words thereof were these: I *John Ardern*, did see a certain Woman at *Newarke*, whose whole body was suddenly swoln, and also the face, neck, and leggs, who did lye as though she were half dead, to whom I gave the roots of a *Dafadil* stamp, and mixt with water & *Safforn*, which being drunk, she was quickly whole. I wrote this my self, out of an old written Book.

9 Take heed in letting blood or giving of Purgations, or strong Medicines, that the Lord of the eight House be not with the Moon, or with the Lord of the Ascendent. Likewise that the Moon, nor the Lord of the Ascendent be in the fourth or eight house, nor that the Lord of the eight house be in any Angle, and it is not good that the Moon be in the Ascendent. *Patromat.*

10. A wind rising in the North, in the beginning of the night, or in the twilight, by and by he ceaseth, and leaveth his place: therefore it is, that the Marriners (having just tryal thereof) will not set forth in that wind, unless it hath continued three days. The South wind is contrary, which if it rise or begin with the beginning of the day, it brings hope to the Marriners that it will continue, and not quickly depart out of that place *Mizaldus.*

11. The skin of the right heel of a Vultur laid to the right foot, and of the left heel, to the left foot of them that are pained with the Gout; It is said that it doth mittigate the grief and ease the pains *Mizaldus*.

12. Lute strings or harp strings, cut in little pieces, and cast upon flesh newly sodden or roasted, will seem to be worms, whereby they that know not thereof, will refuse the same meat. *Mizaldus*.

13. If the Yard doth swell and be grievously pained, mingle Wax, Oyl, and the juice of Parslane together, and apply it to the swoln Yard, and it will help it. It is often proved.

14. *Johannes Ganivetius* writes, that in the year of our Lord, 1431. the seventh day of August, (being Tuesday about seven of the clock in the morning, one Master *Henricus Amici*, a Doctor of Physick, born at *Bruxels* in *Brabant*, did ask him for the Lord *Deane* of *Vienens* then being sick, whether he should dye or recover that sickness. In the figure of which question, he found that the Moon was going into conjunction to the Sun under the beams of the Sun, which was a testimony of death, with divers other liklihoods of the same. But espying *Mercury* beginning to retrograde, within one degree of the Ascendent (corruption the degree of ascending) did judge that he should shortly fall into a Frenzy, at the farthest, within a natural day, although he was a very wise man. And so it came to pass, for within less then a Natural Day, he became Frantick, and so dyed within two days after.

15. Take

15. Take Cloves of Garlick, and burn them in a pot all to Powder, and if you use to eat of that powder in your pottage, doubtless it will make you make water, if you are troubled with the Stone.

16. If you put the powder of Allom in water, whatsoever you write therewith, the writing or letters will not appear unless you put the same paper in water, and then you may read it perfectly. *Bapt. Porta,*

17. This that followeth is a most excellent true and sure-proved Medicine for a great and old grief and pain in the head. Take of Bay Salt stamped by it self, as much Cummin-seed stamped by it self, as much brown Fennel, and then stamp them all together, then with as much pure Vinegar, and a little Rose water, mix and stir them altogether in a dish, over a Chafindish of hot coles, and then lay some of the same hot upon a cloath, and apply it to the hinder part of the head at night, and tie it fast thereto that it fall not away. And also lay on another plaister thereof, hot thereto the next night, and so do nine nights together, one after another, and it will not only help the same, (perhaps within three or four times so doing) but also it will clear the sight, and draw the humours clean away, that run out of the head into the eyes, and dry up the same. This Medicine never fails, therefore it is a precious thing, and worthy to be esteemed.

18. A good way to get the Stone called *Cranpandina*, out of the Toad. Put a great or overgrown Toad, (first bruised in divers places) into an earthen pot, and put the same in an Ants hillock and cover the same with earth, which Toad at length

length the Ants will eat : So that the Bones of the Toad and Stone will be left in the Pot Which *Mizaldus* and many other (as he saith) hath often times proved.

19. It is said, that the Female Viper doth open her mouth to receive the generative Sperm of the Male Viper, which he doth by putting his mouth into her mouth, which received, she doth bite off his Head. This is the manner of the froward generating of Vipers. And after that, the young Vipers that spring of the same, do eat or gnaw asunder their Mothers Belly, thereby coming or bursting forth. And so they being Revengers of their Fathers injury, do kill their own Mother. *Galen de Thoriaca ad Pisonem*. You may see, they were a towardsly kind of people, that Christ called the generation of Vipers.

20. Seeth Sage, and drink it, or stamp it, and lay it to the *Matrix*, for both ways it provoketh the Flowers, and after burthens. *Pet. Hispanus*,

21. The girdle Worn of a Child, being under seven years of Age, some say twelve years of Age, taken and tied about the middle of one that hath the Falling Sicknes, and then presently taken from the said party, and cut in nine pieces, and every piece thrown nine several wayes, it is a present and perfect Remedy to heal and help the same party thereof, without saying of any words. They that told it me did see it proved ; a thing no doubt very strange, and almost incredible. Some think that this will not prevail, but at the first falling of the Party.

20. The Tongue of a Dog laid under the Toe with-

within the Shoe; doth cease the Barking of Dogs at the Party that doth so wear the same. *Mizaldus*

23. The skin of an Afs being tan'd, and shoes made of that part of the hide, whereon the burthens did lie that the Afs carried, they will never tear nor be worn. No, although you go continually among stones and thorns, and with the oldness thereof, they will wax hard, that one cannot suffer to wear them, as *Cardanus* hath written.

24. To stop the bleeding of the nose, Take nine or ten fresh new Leeks, and put a thred thorough the midst of them, but cut off the tops of the leaves, then hang them about the parties neck that bleeds, so that the leaves be upward to the nose, and the heads of them downward. It is good also to smell to Camphire dissolved in Vinegar, and also to put the root of Piony under the tongue *Jatro. Holle*

25. If you take Mouth-Glew and Azome equal parts, mixing them together, and then pour Vinegar to them, whatsoever you shall cast into the fire, being rubbed, or all over anointed therewith, it will not be burned. *Mizald.*

26. It is credibly reported, that whosoever is sick, and at the point of death, though they be marvellous old, lying or being in a certain place in *Ireland*, the same party cannot die untill he or she shall be removed out of this place: And many that have been there, being very old and weary of their lives, have earnestly desired to be removed from thence; who as soon as they have been out of the place have died presently. A very strange thing if it be true.

27. Stamp

27. Stamp Rue with Oyl of Roses, and lay the same something thick upon the Crown of the Head, of one that is Sick, the same being first Shaven, and if the same Party do. Neese within six hours after, he will escape that Sickness. If not, he will die thereof.

28. To make a green that it will not fade away. Take the Flowers of Flower-deluce, stamp them, and strain them, then put the Juice thereof into Gum-water, and dry it in the Sun.

29. To make Letters of Gold. Take Gum of Almonds, and temper it with Vermilion finely ground, let the Gum be dissolved in the white of an Egg, then write therewith, and it will be like Gold. Proved.

30. If you will know in what year Wheat will be dear or cheap, and what time in the year, and what month the same will chance; Elect or choose twelve fair Corns of Wheat, in the Kalends of *January*, which is the first day of *January*, then sweep the fire Hearth clean, and make a fire; then take a young Wench, or Boy of the House, or else one that dwells nigh you, and by the same Boy or Wench lay one of the same Corns on the same being hot and made clean: And when that is done, mark diligently, whether the said Corn abide still in the place, or leap: If it be still, then say that the price will continue: If it leap a little, the price will abate a little: If it leap much, then perswade thy self, that it will wax very cheap: If it leap towards the fire, it will be dearer in the first Month, and so more or less, for the greater or lesser access of the same to the fire. Do so with the second Corn,

Corn; and it will presage for the second month that is for *February*: And so you may judg all the rest; that is the third Corn for *March*, the fourth for *April*, and so for the other. *Mizaldus* heard, that it hath been proved of many.

31. The Lyon is more fierce against men, then women; for Nature hath taught him, that women are to be more mildly used then men, as *Pliny* affirms. And *Aristotle* saith, that it is more wicked to kill a Woman, than a man, &c. And the Poet saith: *Quod scemenica in pœna, nallum est memorabile nomen*; which is true. A man also can get no praise nor honesty by beating of a woman: which, let Butcherly beaters, and cruel Tormentors of their Wives, mark well and consider. *Mizaldus*.

7 31. A spoonful or more of the pouders of Nettle-seed, drunk in good Wine, doth assuage all pains of the *Matrix*, and takes away the windiness thereof, or the grief of the Mother. *Pet. Hisp.*

33. By this means following, you may put an Egg into a narrow-mouthed Glasse. Lay an Egg in strong Viniger, till it be tender: then fill a glasse almost full of water, then put the Egg into it and anon it will be hard. Proved,

94. To roast a dish of Butter. Take fine grated White Bread, and mix the same well with Sugar, then put a lump of Butter upon a Spit, and turn the Spit at the fire, and still cast the grated Bread and the Sugar upon the Butter, and it will be a fine, and trim Dish of Meat. Proved.

35. If a certain Worm with many feet, which will become round like a Pea, if she be touched, of some called a Swine-louce, be prickt with a Needle,

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the pain thereof will cease immediately. This I got out of an old Book.

36. They are possesst with Devils, that have not in their Nativities *Mercury*, with the Moon in some aspect, if neither of them behold the Ascendant; which is the more certain, if *Saturn* be there in the Nativity of the day, and if *Mars* be there in the nightly Nativity; and if either of them be in an Angle, such is the Nativities of Devils. *Alphabazen*. And they are, or will be mad, that have *Mercury*, and the Moon in this sort, except that *Saturn* contrary must be in the Angle in the Nativity of the night, and *Mars* in an Angle in a Nativity of the day. *Parrom*.

37. There is a certain Well at *Cratianopolis*, which although it hath not hot or warm water therein, yet oftentimes there comes out of the same together with the water, flames of fire, two contrary Elements at one time, out of one place flowing out together. *Mizaldus* writes this of the inhabitants of that place.

38. If you stamp Holliocks with the Whites of Eggs, and therewith anoint your hands; and throw then upon the same, the poulder of Allome, you may handle fire without any harm. *Alber*. Praise it as it proves.

39. Drink no Medicine in the hour of *Saturn*, neither enter or begin then any journey on the Sea. *Haly Abenragel*.

40. White-Wine, wherein *Lapis Calaminaris* is seven times quenched; first made very hot in the fire, doth marvellously stop the running of the eyes, and cleareth the sight, if you put a few drops thereof

into them, and use to wash them therewith. This is a tryed thing,

41. If you would allure or bring Pigeons to a Dove-house ; take a fat Dog and slay him, and fill his belly full of the seeds of Cummin, roast him dry, wash also the Pigeon-holes in the Dove-cote with water wherein the Cummin is sod ; but first cleanse the said holes from all filthiness, then lay the roasted Dog upon a broad stone in the Dove-house, and hang a great Glass in the top of the Lovour, or four little Looking-Glasses within the Dove-house, by some of the holes, Also take good clay and mingle it with Bay Salt and Cummin, and make thereof a great lump like unto a Sugar-loaf, then put it into an Oven and make it hard and set it by the dead Dog. Beware of Owls, Buzzards, and Starlings, see the house be close, that no vermine come therein ; As Polecates, Whesells, or Ferrets, and you shall have Pigeons enough. Also make a shrape by the Dove-house, strew Chasse there. then lay therein a good quantity of Barly, but it must first be laid to steep in Honey three days, and then cast it among the Chasse, and then a great sort of Pigeons will resort to the Dove-house.

42. Linseed put into the roots of Radish, and by and by put fat, or dunged earth, it will bring forth an herb like Dragons, whose taste will seem like Vinegar and Salt ; Therefore it is marvelously desired in Sawces ; for having this, you need neither Vinegar nor Salt : as one that is chief of the Kings Gardens, told me, saith *Mizald.*

43. Foxes being sod, or cut to pieces, and then given

given to Hens or Geese, amongst their meat, it makes them safe from being hurt of any Foxes after, for the space of two months. *Mizald.*

44. The Seeds of Docks tied to the left arme of a Woman, doth help barrenness, or sterility. *Africanus.*

45. Goats dung mingled with Vinegar and Bran, and applied as a Plaster to sore Breast, looseth wonderfully all swellings of the Brest. It hath been proved.

46 Betony stampd and applied to any wound of the head, doth not only draw out broken bones, but also doth heal the same with speed. A most excellent Remedy

47 A special Medicine to strengthen the back. Take a quart of white Wine, and the Pith of an Oxes back, and two ounces of Dates, of Marigolds Plantane, Betony, Parsley roots, and Fennel roots, of all two handfulls, boyl all these together, untill the Wine be half wasted away, & then strain them thorow a cloth, and drink nine or ten sponfulls thereof every morning and evening, for the space of nine or ten dayes, and it will strengthen the back marvelously.

48 Five-leaved grass sod in water, which if it be drunk and gulpt up and down into the throat, is an excellent help for sore throats.

49 They are divellish, or posselt with Divels, in whose Nativities *Saturn* is Lord of the place of the *Moon*, and the *Moon* then under the beams of the *Sun*; or if *Mars* be Lord of the place of the *Moon*, opposite to the *Sun*, especially in *Sagitary*. *Haly Abenragel.*

50. To keep Beasts safe that the blind Mouse called a Shrow do not bite them, Enclose the same Mouse quick in chalk, which when it is hard, hang the same about the neck of the beast that you would keep safe from biting; And it is most certain that he shall not be toucht nor bitten, as it is aforesaid. *Vegetius.*

51. I hear (saith *Mizaldus.*) that it is observed and proved, that a Cow, an Ewe, a She-Ass, a Bitch, a She-Cat, and such other domestical and tame beasts of the Female kind, will cast their Calf, Lamb, Colt, or that they go withal, if the Male, by whome they conceived, be killed while they went with the same. Such a strong and vehement concord or agreement of nature is between or among them.

52. A notable Oyntment for the Head-ach, coming of any cause, wherewith you must anoint the pulses of the temples, and all the forehead; Take of the juice of fresh Camomil four ounces, of the juice of fresh Roses two ounces of fresh Rew and Betony of each one ounce and a half, of the juice of the Roots of Holliock, two ounces, of Oyle *Rosate Amphacine*, one pound and a half, of the best and purest Alabaster, three ounces, powder of Alabaster finely beaten, then put into the Oyle, and let it lye therein a day and a night, then mix them all together, and with sufficient white Wax, make it into an Oyntment, which Oyntment, is good for any pain of the head, proceeding of any matter or cause. And it may be used at any time of the fit, or pain, except the beginning. *Emperica Benedicti Victorii Faxenti.*

53. An excellent distilled water for hearing, followeth. Take of the juice of Betony, of the juice of Onions, of either of them six ounces, of the leaves of Rosemary stamped one handfull, of the Oyl of bitter Almonds three ounces, and one white Eele, gross chopt, and cut in small pieces; mix them all together, and distill them, and the Liquor which comes thereof, keep in a Glass, drop two or three drops thereof into your ear, four or five times together, and it will help the deafness.

Mizald.

54. It is much to be marvelled, at the little bird called a Wren, being fastned to a little stick, of Hazel newly gathered, doth turn about and roast himself. *Cardanus* and *Mizal*.

55. Thou mayst make fair pictures, vessels, and many other fine things, with small coast, and expences, as followeth: Seeth the bark of the Elme Tree, and the tops of the Poplar tree, and whiles they are very hot, put thereto most pure and fine Lime, untill all the same be like Curds of Milk. Afterwards put thereto the whitest Marble, that is well and finely beaten into poulder, and seirced, and then cast the same in what frame you will, then dry them in the shadow.

56. Take Water Mints that are stamped, and lay them to the midst of the Brow, and to the Nape of the Neck, of one that is mad; and it will help, and much relieve him. But first tickle him on the Brow: and it will dispose him to sleep, and then apply it to him, as is before mentioned: but if he be too far gone, that it will not help him, then take a Tench, and cleave it in the midst, and so warm,

lay the one part to his brow, and the other to the nape of the neck, and without doubt it will help him, if ever he shall have help. This I took out of an excellent written book,

57. For burning with Fire, Take oyl Olive, and put it into cold water, and stir it well together, till it be well mixed, then anoint the burned place there with, and lay a wort leafe upon it, and it will help it speedily. Proved.

58 Stamp Mallows and Garlick together, and mingle it well with white Wine, then strain it well and drink a good draught thereof nine times, and it will make thee make water of what occasion soever the same is stopt. This is affirmed for truth.

59. If you will bring forth, or hatch Eggs without a Hen, cover your Eggs in hot horse dung, (so that the bigger part of the Egg be upward) but every fifth or sixth day, shift them with new horse dung, with a temperate heat as the heat of a Hen, but remember that the Eggs must be turned, and about the time of the hatching, or when they should come forth of the shell, put them under a Hen.

60. Although, the fruit of a Medler tree by nature be restrictive or binding, nevertheless the powder of it doth vehemently break the stones in the reins, and drives them forth, which *Antonius Musa* an excellent Physitan doth witness, that he hath proved with most happy success on himself. *Mizaldus.*

61. The blood of an Hare dryed and made in powder, and thrown upon flesh newly roasted or sodden, makes the same flesh seem to be bloody and corrupt;

corrupt; so that they that be present, and see the same, unless such as know the secret thereof, will loath to eat thereof. *Mizald.*

62. The antient Wise Men have said, that he that is taken Prisoner in the hour of the Sun, shall escape within the space of one month: and in the hour of *Venus*, he shall escape at the end of forty days: and in the hour of *Mercury*, he shall have long imprisonment; and he that is taken prisoner in the hour of the Moon, his business and state shall be changed according to the applications which the *Moon* hath with fortunate, and unfortunate Planets, whereby the easiness and slowness of his delivering shall be esteemed. Also he that is taken prisoner in the hour of *Saturn* he shall endure long imprisonment: and he that is taken prisoner in the hour of *Jupitar*, he shall be delivered quickly. And they that be taken prisoners in the hour of *Mars*, many sorrows and troubles shall happen to them during their imprisonment, for he shall be put in fetters, and shall be beaten and he shall suffer great sorrows, and labours. *Haly Abenragel.*

63. This Medicine following, will surely heal a scald head. Take Oyl Olive, and put it into a dish with fair water, and beat or stir them well together, as you would make Butter, then take it up, and put it into a Vessel, and put powder of Brimstone, and May butter thereto, and make an Oyntment thereof, wherewith anoint the fore-head and doubtless it will heal it.

64. Woodbine leaves stampd, and laid on Warts, (using them six times) will quickly destroy them.

65. *Francis*, Marquess of *Mantua* did so instruct or teach a Dog, that he used him as a very good servant, in calling of such of the Court as he would. *Blondus*.

66. *Abernetor*, an excellent Physician among the Arabians, declares that once there was such a famine in the Country, that the people was driven to pluck the dead bodies out of their Graves, and did suck the Marrow of their bones. A thing horrible to be heard, but more horrible to be done; from which need or hunger, I beseech God keep us.

67. If the Seeds that are found in the round knobs of the lesser Bur leaf, be made in very fine powder, and so given with a little good and pure White-Wine, it purgeth the sand marvellously effectually from the Reines, but more speedily, if it be drank with *Aqua vite*. *Mizaldus* had this of one that proved it.

68. If you seeth Mugwort in Water, and plaister it hote upon the Navel and Thighs of a woman labouring with child, it causeth both child birth and the after burthen also: but if it tarry long there, it will cause the Matrix to follow. *Rogerius*.

69. For scalding and and burning that it be not seen. Take sheeps sewer and sheeps dung, and the inner rind of Eldern, and boil them altogether, then strain them through a course canvas cloath, and keep it in some clean vessel, which when you do use you must melt in a sawcer, or some other thing, and lay on the burned place with a feather. Proved.

70. To draw out a Tooth, fill an earthen pot with Emets or Ants and their Eggs, and set the same pot in hot embers, so long until all be burned into

into Ashes, and when any doth Ake, which you would draw forth without any pain, then take of the same Pouder, and touch the Tooth therewith, and it will fall out.

71. Anoint the freckled face with the Blood of a Hare, or of a Bull, and it will do them away, and make the skin fair. Proved.

72. This following will help the hardness of the side, called the *Elfcake*. Take the Root of Gladen, and make Pouder thereof, and give the Diseased party half a spoonful thereof to drink in White Wine, and let him eat thereof, so much in his Portage at one time, and it will help him within a while. This was told me for a very truth.

73. Mugwort steeped in Rose-water, both help trembling or shaking Hands, if they washt therewith. *Mizaldus*.

74. You shall know whether the Toadstone called *Crapandina*, be the right and perfect Stone or not. Hold the Stone before a Toad, so that he may see it, and if it be a right and true Stone, the Toad will leap toward it, and make as though he would snatch it from you, he envieth so much that a man should have the Stone. This was credibly told *Mizaldus* for truth, by one of the French Kings Physicians, which affirmed that he did see the tryal thereof.

75. Garlick being Sown when the Moon is under the Earth, and pluckt up when the Moon is above the Earth; it is said, that then his stinking smell will be gone. *Soclon Gracius*, & *Palladius* report, that the Garlick will be made the sweeter, if in the planting thereof you do set the Stones of Olives round

round about it, or else if you set the Garlick bruised.

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76. Lay a Sponge upon any ach Gout, dipt in warm Wine of the Decoction of Cummin, and it will draw out the hurtful humours. It hath been proved. *Pet. Hisp.*

77. Take the Juice of Elder-Berries, and anoint Warts therewith, and it will destroy them.

78. If you take the outward Rind of the Radish Root, and the Herb Mercury, of either one ounce, of Saffron three grains, of *Cassia Lignia*, finely poudered, one dram, the Juice of Savin, two drams, and then mix them, and let them all be beaten together, and then tie the same in a fine Linnen cloth, that is thin, and then joyn it to the neck of the Matrix of a woman that is in her Travel, and in the hour of the Birth, (which else should bring forth her Child with difficulty) by and by she will be brought to Bed. It is a secret. *Benedictus Victorius Favent.*

79. If you pluck out one of the Eyes of a black Dog, whiles he is living, and will carry it with you, it will make that no Dogs shall bark at you; yea, though you walk among them. But it will be more sure, if you put thereto a little of the heart of a Wolf. *Sextus Platonius and Albertus.*

80. The Juice of Knot-grass, drunk with the Powder of Seven Pepper Corns, before the Fit, doth quite put away the *Quartan Ague*. But it is said, that the Herb must be gathered upon a *Thursday*, and the Juice then likewise thereof, must be gotten and strained (the Moon decreasing, which is between the full Moon and the change.) *Mizaldus*
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had this out of an old Book of secrets, written with the hand of one called *Janus* or *Fannus*.

81. A Bath wherein Emmets, or Ants and their Eggs, (being stamp) and sodden, doth quickly heal an old, and almost Incurable Joynt Sicknes. Proved.

82. If they that have the Falling Sicknes, do use to receive twice or thrice in the week, at their going to Bed, one of these little Pills following, without doubt they will be whole thereof, howsoever it comes. Take of the best *Castorum*, *Assafetida*, of either half a dram, of the root of Piony, finely powdered one dram, *Aromaticum Rosarum*, two drams, mix them together with the Sirrop of Mints, and make thereof seven Pills. (you may have all this at the Apothecaries) This is a proved secret. *Emperica Benedicti*.

83. An excellent Oynment for the Gout. Take three pound of Walwort, and stamp it well, then melt one pound of *May Butter*, and put thereto, and let them stand so Nine Dayes together, then boyl the same half an hour on the Fire, then strain it through Canvas, and so annoint the pained place therewith. It is a notable and proved thing, not much unlike to one in this Book, to that effect, described by *Mizaldus*.

84. This Medicine following, will destroy the Itch in any part of the Body. Take of Oyl Debay, one ounce, and one ounce of Quick-silver, first killed with fasting Spittle, which must be killed therein with stirring of them together three mornings; and add thereto two ounces of Barrow Hogs Grease, then therewith anoint the Palms of your Hands

Hands, and the Soles of the Feet, and within three or four times so doing, it will kill the Itch.

85. If you will make a Candle that will not be put out, fill a Can with the powder of Brimstone, and with a Linnen Cloth torn in very little pieces, then cover the same with Wax, and so set it on fire, and then it will not be put out, neither with Bel-
lows nor Wind.

86. Oyl where Frogs be sodden, until the Flesh be gone from the Bones, doth marvellously help all effects of the Sinews and the Joints, and also all parts of the Body that are cold, or benumbed, if the places affected be anointed therewith, being first made warm. This is gotten out of the secrets of *Janus*.

87. If you will bring into one place, or else kill all Worms, and Beasts, that are hurtful in a Garden. Take the Belly or Paunch of a Weather newly killed with all the Filth or Dung that is in it, and bury the same in the place where they be, and cover it a little with Earth, and then within two dayes thou shalt see all the Worms and Vermine gathered thither; if you do this twice or thrice, you shall make all the hurtful Worms and things to gather together there; and then you may call earth upon them, or else kill them as you list. *Al-
zaldus* did understand that this was proved.

88. An evil Planet in *Leo*, doth shew or betoken, short life of the Father of that Child then born. *Taisnier*.

89. The Juyce of Betony, put in the Ear, something hot or luke-warm, will both put away pain, and the Deafness of the Ears (if there be any) and

and also Impediments of the same. I have proved this divers times, and found it excellent good in this case.

90. This Water following, is both proved, and precious against Fistulaes; and also, it so hardneth Iron, that you may cut another piece of Iron, therewith, as easily as if the same were Wood. Take of Earth-worms, and draw of thence a Water by Distillation, and likewise draw Water of Reddish Roots, both which Waters mix together, then put therein an edged Iron Knife made red hot; the same thus heated, and quenched, for three or four times, by an equal quantity used at each time, and the Knife temper'd with the Edge, then dip it red hot again into the same Water, and then after, you may cut Iron safely, and easily therewith; and this Water is also marvellous in Fistulaes.

91. It is said, that if Horses be shod with that Iron wherewith one hath been before killed, it makes the same Horses very lively and quick. And if of the same you make a Bit, or Snaffle, that Horse that hath it in his Mouth, will be made Tame, and easie to be handled, yea, though he be never so wild, stubborn, or given to biting. *Rafis and Albertus.*

92. If a Horse cannot Stale, or Piss, or else doth the same hardly, or with much Grief or Pain, beat his Body all abouts easily, mildly, or gently, with the Boughs of Eldern, full of Leaves; then after cover his Head, Neck, and all the Body with the same Leaves, and it will help him very much. *Simonita Cardinalis.*

93. A Water whereby the Physician doth marvels, and is reputed as a Prophet: Take of Filings of

of Silver, or Brass, Iron, of Lead, of Steel, of Gold, of Spume, of Silver and Gold, of Storax, according to the Riches or Poverty of the Patient: First of all, let them be put into the Urine of a Boy that is a Virgin; the second day in warm White Wine; the third day in the Juice of Fennel, the fourth lay them in the Whites of Eggs; the fifth day in womans Milk, that gives suck to a Boy; the sixth day in Red Wine; the seventh day in seven Whites of Eggs, and put that only into a Still, at an easie Fire; and that that shall Distil, keep in a Vessel of Gold or Silver. Silence is to be kept of the praise of this Water, because it may not be bought. For his Virtue doth quallifie Leprous persons; it heals and destroys a pure Lepry: it wipes away, or takes away every spot; it preserves youth, it makes the Eye fair; I cease to speak of the secrets of this Water, for because I fear least they that have it should be puffed up with pride, *Trotula de Passio Mulier.*

+ 94. This following is a proved Thing, for the sounding of the Ears, or Wind in the same. Take Almonds, and the Kernels of Peaches, and let them be clean peeled in hot Water; then stamp them, and get Oyl out of them, and put of the same Oyl with Tents wet in the same, into the sounding Ear, or otherwise grieved; which Tents must be made of fine Linnen Cloth; and do thus with new Tents every day once, for the space of Nine or Ten days, and it will put away the sounding and other pains of the Ears. This I learned of one that came out of Spain; and I proved it to be very true.



The Eighth Book.

YOU shall make Vinegar by and by, and if you do pour pure and good Wine half sod, into a new Earthen Vessel, and let it be well covered and stopt, and so set the same pot in hot scalding water.

2. A Wolf first seeing a man, doth lift up his voice, and as a Victor doth despise him: but if he perceive that the man hath espyed him first, he lays away his fierceness, and cannot run. *D. Ambrosius, Virgil, Plato, Sextus Platon.* and others,

3. There is a deadly war between the Hawk and the Eagle, who are sometimes so fast together in their fight, that they are both taken or caught thereby, *Plin.*

4. To take the Birds that eat the Seeds that are sown, Seeth Garlick, that it may not grow again; for it is said to profit marvellously, if it be thrown to them: for they that shall eat of it, will be taken with your hand. *Mizald.*

5. If you give one of these Pills following, every going to bed, to him that hath the Palsie, it will help him, for it is proved. Take of herb Ivy, Cowslips, Betony, of the Flowers of *Sticados Arabies*, of each one dram; let them be dried in the shadow, and make them in powder: then take
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good Turbith one dram, of the best Agarick two drams, *Collymaintida* half a dram, Ginger, Salgem of either ten grains; good and chosen Rubarb one dram and a half, Spikenard seven grains, the powder of *Hiera simplex Galeni* half an ounce, Scamonie prepared, one dram: Let them all be made into fine Powder, and with the Juice of Herb Ivie, make a Mass of Pills. The weight to be given at one time, is, one Pill of one Scruple. And mark if he that hath the Palsey, take this ordinary Pill (not once every day, but twice in the week at the least) you shall see a sudden help in the Palsey. These Pills may worthily be called glorious Pills for the Palsey. *Emperica Benedicti Victoris Faventin.*

6. A certain Man finding or catching a Monk, did hit his Wife therewith on the left cheek, being with Child, who after was delivered of a Wench, which Wench had, and it hath the mark of a Monk on her left Cheek. This was told by a credible woman, who said moreover, that the Name of this Wenches Father, was *Thomas Buckman*, dwelling at that time in *Norfolk*, in a certain Town called *Dysse*. This affirms my other writing thereof.

7. You may turn White Wine into Red, without any hurt, or Detriment by and by: If the Powder of Hony, (that is first sod into a stony substance, and then dried, and so made into Powder) be cast into White Wine, and mixing it well in the same, with rowling it up and down together. The Roots of any kind of Docks, either new or dried, put into the Wine, will perform the same with business.

8. Garlick being stamp't with Hogs, or Barrow

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Grease, and made something thick like an Oyntment, doth marvellously help them that have the Cough, and have taken cold, if the Soles of their Feet, and their Back-bone before the fire be anointed therewith.

9. Whosoever hath any fixed Star, of the first Honour, or Magnitude, in the Degree of their Horoscope, or in the Degree of their Caspe, of the tenth House, or in the Degree of the Sun by day, or in the Degree of the Moon by night, he shall possess great Riches, and Honours, then his Ancestors have done, of the Nature of the fixed Star. Indeed this is true, if that fixed Star be of small Latitude, but if it be of great Latitude, his strength will finally appear in the Nativity of the Child. *Taisnier.*

10. This Water following is excellent good to clear a dim Sight, if two or three drop thereof be put into the Eyes at a time, using it certain dayes together. Take of the Water of Vervin, the Water of Koses, and the Water of Fennel, of each four ounces, White strong Wine three ounces, Tutty prepared, and Sugar Candy, of either three drams, Aloes Hepatick two drams: Let all them be beaten in fine Pouder that are to be Pounded, and put them into Water and Wine, mixing all together, and let them remain and stand a whole day, then strain them easily, and keep the Liqueur in a fair Glass, and use it as is before said. This is a precious thing for the Sight of Eyes.

11. A marvellous Medicine for Wounds and Sores. Take a handful of Arsmarth, wet in fair water, then lay it in the wound, or sore, after bury the

same Arsmart in some moist ground; and the said Wound, or Sore, will afterward miraculously heal, as the same Herb doth Rot and Consume. This I had of one that affirmed to be true: I think it is written by *Paracelsus*.

12. The Bodies of Drowned, or Dead Men, do Float on the Water with their Faces and Bellies upward; but Dead Women do Float on the Water grovelling, or with their Faces downward, contrary to their Procreation: But they do Float or Swim above the Water, out of whom the Lungs are taken, &c. *Mizaidus*.

13. The Water of Marrigolds, doth help all Diseases of the Eyes, and takes away all pains of the Head: And the Smoak of the Flowers thereof taken or received by a Fundible, into the secret Parts of a Woman, or else otherwise taken, doth bring forth easily the after Burthen. This secret, *Mizaidus* did get of an old Midwife, which had need of his help otherwise.

14. The Head of a Glead unfeathered burned, and so much thereof taken with Water and drunk, as you may take up with three fingers, helps them that have the Gout. *Galenus*.

16. If any come or send to thee in the Hour of *Jupiter*, it is for no harm, but rather for good: Therefore doubt it not; and though it should seem to be some harm or loss at the first, yet at length it will turn to good. The oftner one tries it, the truer he shall find it, so that he be not Retrograde or Combust,

16. Oak Fern (called *Polypodium*) stampd and plaistered upon the feet of a woman travelling of a Child,

Child, causeth the Birth of the Child, either alive or dead. This was told me for a great Secret.

17. Take of the Grease of a Swine, or Hog, and rub therewith the Body of any that is sick, against the Heart, or the Soles of his Feet; then give that grease to a Dog; which if he eat, the Party will escape; if not, it is a token that he will die thereof.

18. This following will help them that be deaf. Take a piece of Green Elme, or Ash, and lay it in the Fire, and receive the Water that cometh out of the ends thereof; and take also a spoonful of the Grease of an Eel, that is Red beneath the Navel: boyl all these together a little on the fire, and put it into a Glass, and when he goeth to Bed, put some thereof into his Ear Luke-warm, and in two or three dayes, he will be whole, and Hear well, Proved.

19. To draw out a Tooth without any pain. Take the Gum of Ivy, and Green Ivy Leaves, of each a like weight, and burn to Pouder in a New Earthen Pot; and when it is made in fine Pouder, mix it together with the Milk of Spurge, and put some thereof into the Tooth that you would have out, if it be hollow; if not, touch the Tooth therewith, and it will fall out; but beware you touch no other Tooth therewith.

20. *Alianus* doth report, that no sick Person of the *Cocranses*, should upon pain of Death, drink any Wine without the consent and knowledge of the Phisician; or any other give it them, without the Commandment of the Phisician.

21. If you will prove, whether there be any water mixed with wine or not, put an Egg into the Wine,

and if the Egg sink into it, there is Water mixt with it, and if the Egg swim, then it is pure Wine.

22. If the Scull of an aged man be hung in a Dove-house, Pigeons will be increased there, and will live quietly, as *Albertus* and *Mizaldus* do write.

23. The Juice of Bay-leaves distilled into the Ears, doth not permit deafness, nor other strange sounds to abide in the Ears. *Petr. Hispanus*.

24. A Question was asked of the state of a certain person being sick, and of what condition the Disease was, and whether he should recover thereof, or not, &c. It seemed at that sight, that the Party was whole for whom the Question was made because the Sun was in the tenth House, and the part fortunate in Ascendent, but many other Testimonies shewed the contrary: And also *Mars* did corrupt *Venus*, Lady or Alumten of the Ascendent, and *Venus* also was under the Beams of the Sun, and began to be Combust, distant from the Sun ten Degrees: For *Venus* in the twenty eighth Degree of *Sagittary*, and the Sun in the eighth Degree of *Capricorn*: Which two Degrees in *Sagittary* did signifie two Months, being a common Sign, and the eight Degrees in *Capricorn* being a moveable Sign, did signifie eight Days: Therefore it was to be doubted of the sick Person, about two months and eight dayes after the Question was made, as God would ordain it; and so it hapned right, by the appointment of God to whom it belongs to Cure Infirmities and Grievs, to raise up the Dead, and to Moderate the earthly Bodies, and to dispese inferiour things by means, to whom be Glory. Amen. *Gulielmus Anglicus in suo Tra-*

Statu de Urina non visa. This is True.

25. An excellent Medicine for the Ach in the Bones, or Arms, or any other place of the Body. Anoint the place where the Pain or Ach is, with good and pure *Aqua Composita*, by the fire, and let it drink in ; do thus three or four times together ; then at the last time, while it is wet, cast upon the wet place where the Ach is, the Pouder of *Olibanum* (which is the fairest and whitest of the *Frankincense*) and so lay a Linnen Cloth upon the Pouder, and Sew it fast, and so let it lie three or four dayes, until it be well and whole ; which will be by that time, God willing. Proved.

26. *Eunuchus*, that is, he that is Gelded, is never Bald nor Gouty. *Hippocra.*

27. It is a thing worthy of Memory, that *Lampridius* writes of *Heliogabalus*, the Roman Emperour : Who saith, He had four Harts in his Chariot that carried him, and so many Dogs, calling himself *Diana*, and four Tygers, calling himself *Bacchus* ; and four Lyons, calling himself *Sibyl*, and he joyned for Women to his Chariot, as *Sesostris* King of *Egypt* did with four Kings. O proud presumptuous Prince ! He might Ride a good while in that Chariot, ere it would bring him to Heaven.

28. It is not good to bury any too hastily, especially such as have had the Appoplexie, the Falling-Sickness, and that are Suffocate with the Strangulation of the Womb, called the Mother ; for such may seem to be Dead, and revive again within three dayes : For it was the fourth day after *Lazarus* died, ere Christ did raise him from

Death to Life : Lest any should report, that *Lazarus* had had the Appoplexie, or the Falling-sickness, or such like, and therefore but in a Trance, or not perfectly Dead, whereby the just Merit of Christs marvellous Miracle thereof might be darkened. This is the meaning of *Lemnius*, in his second Book of the secret Miracles of Nature. Therefore it is very meet to know, whether any such be perfectly Dead, or not ; which you may do, by holding a little burning Candle at the Parties Nose, whose Mouth is open ; or else by setting some little Cup or Glass, full of Water to the Brim, upon the said Parties Belly, or Navel : For by the moving of the Flame of the Candle, or of the Vessel with Water, you shall perceive his secret Breathing, and whether there be any Life in him, or not. *Camillus*.

+ 29. An approved Medicine doth follow for the shortness of Breath, and doth marvellously help the same : For if half an ounce thereof be given to the Patient, thrice in a Natural Day, that is, three hours before Dinner, two hours before Supper, and about Midnight ; continuing the same three or four Days, and no more, you shall see the Diseased healed. Take of Manna elect, or chosen, called *Manna Granata*, two ounces ; the Flowers of Cassia newly drawn, half an ounce ; Penydes three ounces ; Oyl of sweet Almonds, being new, one ounce ; the Lights or Lungs of a Fox finely beaten and powdered, two ounces, (make the rest in powder that are to be powdered) then mix all together, and make thereof an Electuary with the Syrop of Hyssop. *Enaperica Benedicti Victoria Faven*. You may have it well made at the Apothecaries. I have tried

tried it to be an Excellent thing in this Case.

30. If you will break the great Heat of Wine in the Vessel, cast into the same a little piece of Cheese, and then you shall see a marvellous thing: And why that is. *Georgius Valla placentinus* doth Teach.

31. If you anoint your hands, or other parts of your Body, with a Linement made of Nettle Oyl, and a little Salt, it will defend the Party therewith Anointed, from the bitterest Cold that is. *Mizaldus*.

32. There be Branches of a Bay-Tree, wrapt up or laid among Cloaths and Books, will keep the same safe from Moths, Worms, and other corruption. *Diascorides*.

33. If you stamp Ants Eggs, and strain them thorow a Cloth, and put thereto the Juice of Swines Grasse, or Knot-Grasse, and Drop it into the Ears, it helps a long continued Deafness.

34. A Poulder to preserve the Sight. Take Betony, Rue, Celondine, Saxifrage, Lovach, Anniseeds, Cinamon, Eye-bright, of each one handful, *Cardamomum*, Ginger, Fennel, Petroseline, Hysop, Organy, Syler Mountain, of each one dram, Galingal an ounce, Sugar one ounce: Let a Poulder be made of these, and let it be taken continually with Meat, and the Sight will be restored and kept. This Poulder was ordained by Master *Gerald*, whose trial an Old Man did prove, which used Spectacles Twelve years, so that without them he could not see great Letters; but after he had used this Poulder, only one Fourty dayes, he was Free, inso-much that all the time of his Life, he did see, and

read the least letter that was. This *Trotula* hath written in the latter end of his book, *De passionibus mulierum*.

+ 35. An excellent way to get the Water out of swoln legs, whereby to make them as slender as they were before. Seeth Oates in Water untill they be tender, then let the party diseased hold his leg that is swoln over the Vessel, that it may receive the fume, or smoak of the said Oats, and cover the party with somthing that it may go down round about the Vessel, and then blisters will come upon the leg or swoln place, out of which will run much water and corruption, then after anoint the place with butter. Do thus four or five several times if need be. This is proved.

+ 36. Two or three drops of pure *Aqua composita*, put into the eyes morning and evening, every other day, for the space of 4 or 5 days, will clear the sight, and help the eyes of a cold cause, marvellously. An old Gentlewoman that tryed it on her self, did reveal it to me.

37. The herb Dandelyon well sod in water, is counted to be a chief help for the joining or knitting of wounds. It is good against ruptures, or for them that be broken or bursten.

+ 38. A Marvellous Water, that soon and easily may be prepared, more pretious then Gold, is made as followeth; Put fair and clear water into a Vessel, wherein there was never before any liquor, or before never occupied, and when the Water is very hot, pour it to quick Lime, being before in a nother new and clean Vessel, and let it remain and rest so long untill you have taken
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all the foul Spume that floats above from the same, and that all the Lime be settled to the bottome; and the Water very clear, then pout out the Water very softly, without moving the Lime to the bottome, and keep the same Water in a fair clean glass, or some other cleane Vessel well covered and stoppt, until you use the same; it will scantily be believed, what a miraculous virtue and power it hath in all kind of Ulcers, and chiefly such as spring of the *French Pox*: For the same being Bathed, moistned, and with a Linnen Cloth dipt or wet in the said Water something warm a pretty while; and then a Linnen Cloth well wet in the same, and laid upon the Ulcer or Sore in manner of a Plaister, and after renewed again. It wipes clean away all the Filth or Corruption, it ceaseth the Pains, it fills the Ulcer with Flesh, and it quite quenched the Heat or Inflammations in a small time, not without a great Miracle; for otherwise, quick Lime doth burn with vehemency of his Heat. Let them enjoy this most excellent Secret, which for great Prayer and Price to many I have refused to utter. Thus much *Mizaldus*,

39. Myrh given to drink in warm Wine, the quantity of a big Nut, causeth the deliverance of the Child, either quick or dead. *Petrus Hispanus*.

40. Here followeth a blessed Water for the Gout. Take of Roman Vitriol two pounds, of distilled Hony four Pints, Distil these together, (making the Vitriol first in Powder) and when it is Distilled, add to the same the third part thereof, of *Aqua Vitæ* rectified, which diligently mixed keep to your use, and anoint the sore or grieved place there-

therewith : do this morning and evening, until you feel your self well, which will be (God willing) within seven or eight days at the farthest, I wrote this out of an old Book. I think it is also in the new Jewel of Health, which is a worthy Book, and full of many strange and excellent things.

41. The smoak of Ivy burned, doth drive away Batts and Reremice, from that place, where the same smoke is.

42. If any doth ask thee (having knowledg in Astrology) for any thing wherein he hath a hope to have. Mark if the Lord of the eleventh house apply to the Lord of the Ascendent, or the Lord of the first house, to the Lord of the eleventh house judge that he shall have the thing which he hopes to get or have, and he shall come to it. And if the Aspect be of a Trine or Sextile, he shall quickly and easily and by good means obtain it : but if it be by a Quartile or Opposite Aspect, he shall get it with tediousness and labour. Furthermore, if thou dost find the Lord of the eleventh house in an Angle and received : then judge that he shall have the thing which he so hopes to have, even as he desires.
Haly Abenragel.

43. A piece of the root of Crowfoot, either put into the hollow of a tooth, if there be any, or applyed to the tooth that aketh, will help the same immediately. A sure proved and often tryed Medicine.

44. Whosoever hath a foreness in the Throat, or else any hard swelling there, called the Squinancy, or *Angina*, and perhaps thereby doth hardly draw his breath, let them apply this following
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oftentimes in a day, and it will soften and dissolve it, for it is proved. Take the roots of Holliock, cut in small pieces, and made clear, Camomil, the flowers of Violets, the flowers of Mallows, with the roots of each one handful, let them boil all in a sufficient quantity of Water, untill the Water be consumed; then put to the same the flower of Barly, Linseed, and Fennecreek, well stamp and beaten, of each one handful, the greace of a Hen, one ounce, Oyl of Camomil, and Oyl of sweet Almonds, of either a like much, which will be enough to make the Plaister fat. This I know to be an excellent remedy in this case, which I learned of *Benedictus Victorius Faventie*, in his book called *Emperica Benedictus*.

45. This Medicine following will help any pains or weakneses of the back. Take a Quart of Malmesey, of Balm, Nep and Maidweed, (which Maidweed is a stinking Herb, having a flower like a Dayzie,) of each one handful: Stamp the Herbs well, and strain them well into the Malmesey, or put some of the Malmesey in the stamping, to them, and strain it into the rest of the Malmesey, and drink a good draught thereof every morning fasting, and at night when you go to bed, and within three or four days, it will help you perfectly God willing. A notable and often proved Medicine.

46. Drink the Juice of Centory, once every morning, four days together, and it will make thee to sing clear, and speak with a good Voice. It cleanseth the Breast marvellously. Often proved.

47. Mints

47. Mints doth abhor Iron, as Rew doth Basil; for if Mints be given to one that is wounded, he will not easily wax whole : If Mints be mixed with Milk, and after taken from the same, and the Runnet or Cheslip put into the same Milk, the same Milk will never go, gather together, or come to Curd.

48. Whosoever falls sick in the hour of *Saturn*, his infirmity or disease will be prolonged, (or he will be long sick) and after he will die of the same sickness.

49. Fill a hollow Tooth with Crows dung, and it will break the Tooth and take away the pain.

50. A certain woman that used *Mizaldus* for her Physitian, had a belly did so swell, that it seemed she was not able to carry her burthen : from whom (about the end of nine months) there came an evil shapen masse or piece, whereunto were two ears like the handles of a Cup fastned, like Arms; with feeling after that, there did fall from her Womb a Monster with a Crooked bill or beak, with a long and round neck, with brandishing eyes, a sharp tail, marvellous quick of foot; and so soon as it saw light, it filled the Parlor or place with noise, and so did run from place to place, but at last Women following it, did smother or choak it to death with pillows. After, the Woman almost worried, not without great danger of her life, did bring forth a boy, which was so tormented of the Monster, that they had much ado to Christen it with life *Levinus Lemnius* is the Author.

51. Calver dung sodden in Wine, till the Wine
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be consumed, and then emplaistered hot to the Gout, healeth the same perfectly. Use it morning and evening four or five days together. *Petrus Hispanus.*

52. To restore the deaf to hearing, Take the foot of Hounds-tongue out of the earth, and make a hole in the root, as long and deep as you can, and fill the same hole with Salt, and cover it well that nothing can come within it, then set it in the earth again as it was, and cover it with earth; and let it be there three days, and at the three days end, take it up, and that which you find therein, keep it in some clean glass, and put some thereof into the deaf ear: Let him use it every evening at his going to bed, until he hear clearly, which will be within a fortnight at the furthest, (God willing) and when you do it into his ear, let him lie in his bed that the Liquor may enter. This I had out of an old written Book.

53. Take two little pieces of good Liquorish (the bark scraped away,) of the length of a pin, and of the bigness of two Barly straws, and put either of them into your mouth, between your gums and your cheeks; that is, on either side one; and so let them lye all the whole night. Use this every night for a fortnight at the least, and without doubt, it will stop or stay the rhume, for it congeals the thin rhume into thick flegme, so that you may spit it out. This helpt one that was without all hope to be helpt.

54. To help the Pox in the eyes, Take Saffron, and lay it in a sawcer with fair water, and let it stand till it be yellow, and then drop some of it into the

the Eye with a Feather ; and it will destroy the Pox, and save the sight. This I had out of a Book.

55. When thou dost find the seventh House, and the Lord of the same to be afflicted or Impedite, in the time of the Question of the Sick, change the Phisician, for he shall not profit the sick Party, either through his own Errour, or through the negligence of the Sick person, or through them that be about the Body. The House is afflicted, if *Saturn* or *Mars* be therein, or being beholden of their Quartile, or opposite Aspect ; and contrary if the seventh House be well affected, as if *Jupiter* or *Venus* is there, take the Phisician to whom you make the Question, or whom you are determined to take, for he shall profit the Sick much, and he will quickly Cure the Sick to his great praise. Therefore mark the first, or sudden calling or sending for the Phisician, for if that time, the seventh House, and the Lord thereof be evil affected, the Phisician then called, or sent for, will not profit the Sick : But it follows not therefore that the Sick shall die : But the Phisician, if he take him in hand, shall go away without honour : Therefore as soon as thou art called to go to the Sick, take counsel of thy *Ephemerides*, and the Cœlestial Figure being Erected, mark whether the seventh House be well or evil affected, and so thou mayst either refuse, or take the Sick in hand. *Jacromath. Guat. Ryff.*

56. Put the Pouders of Red Corral in the hole of the Tooth, and it will fall out by the Root. *Pet. Hisp.*

+ 57. An excellent Medicine, and a noble Restorative for Man or Woman that is brought very low with

with Seknefs. Take two pound of Dates, and wafh them clean in fair Ale, then cut them, and take out the Stones and the white Skins, then cut them fmall, and beat them in a Morter, till they begin to work like Wax, then take a quart of clarified Hony or Sugar, and half an ounce of the Ponder of Long Pepper, as much of Mace, of Cloves, Nutmegs, and Cinamon, of each one dram, as much of the Ponder of *Lignum Aloes*; beat all thefe fpices together, and Seeth the Dates with the Sugar or Hony with an eafie fire, and let it feeth, caft in thereto a little Ponder, by little and little, and ftir it with a Splatter of Wood, and fo do until it come to an Electuary, and then eat every Morning and Evening thereof, one ounce at a time, and it will renew and reftore again his Complection, be he never fo low brought. This hath been proved, and it hath done good to many a Man and Woman.

58. A Noble Receipt for the Black Jaundife. Take a Gallon of Ale, a Pint of Hony, and two Handful of Red Nettles, and take a Penny-worth or two of Saffron, and Boyl it in the Ale, the Ale being firft Skimed, and then boyl the Hony and Nettles therein altogether, and ftain it well, and every Morning take a good Draught thereof, for the fpace of a Fortnight: For in that fpace, God-willing, it will clean and perfectly Cure the Black Jaundife.

59. This perfectly Cures the Yellow Jaundife. Take a new laid Egg, and break the Shell in the middle, and pour forth all the White, then put to the Yolk as much Pewter finely fcrapt off of the Handle of a Spoon or Pot, as will lie upon a Two-pence,

pence, with as much Nutmeg as will lie upon a penny, and so much white Sugar-Candy beaten to powder, as you please. Stirring them together, and so sup it up, every morning fasting, and the last thing at night; and it faileth not in three or four days time.

69. Whosoever in the first nine days in May drinks every morning fasting a little dish full of the Juice of Betony, it will do him marvellous much good for the Gout: which he shall perceive the next year following, (if he live so long.)

61. Whosoever hath the Plurisie, or is stuffed in the Stomach with tough or hard flegm, let him take a scruple, that is, the weight of 24 Barly Corns, of the powder of the seeds of Nettles, with the Syrrup of Violets, and swallow the same, as by licking it by little and little, and he shall spit out the vicious and tough humor easily. A secret of a Parisian Physician.

62. Goats will give much Milk, if you tie Dittony about their Bellies.

63. If the grief of the Gout, or ach be too outrageous, take of *Opium*, one deam, of Saffron two drams, mingle them with four or five yolks of Eggs, and plaister the same upon the grief, for it mightily asswageth the pains and dissolveth the corruption.

64. A most approved Medicine for the Emrods or Pyles. Take two or three Bricks and burn them red hot, and put them in some pan under a close stool, and sprinkle them with Vinegar, and let the party grieved sit upon the said stool, that the fume thereof may ascend upward to his Fundament. Do thus

thus three or four times, if need be, and certainly it will help it.

65. If you will make Birds drunk that you may catch them with your hands, take such meat as they love, as Wheat or Beans, or such like, and lay them to steep in the Lees of Wine or in the juyce of Hemlock, and sprinkle the same in the place where the Birds use to haunt, and if they do eat thereof, straightway they will be so giddy, that you may take them with your hands. I wrote this out of an old written Book, wherein I know many true things were written.

66. A present help for a Woman that travelleth of Child. Take Hysop, Vervin and Dittony, of each one handful, stamp them small, and temper them with old Ale, then strain it, and wring out the Juice, and give a good draught thereof to her that travelleth of Child to drink, and she will be delivered with speed, and the child saved and she both so that the child be alive when she drinks it.

67. A true Medicine for the Gout; Take the juice of the flowers of Broom, and the juice of *Scalliaceli*, and Honey, as much of one, as of another and seeth it all together, till it be of the thicknes of Honey, and anoint the Gouty place therewith. I knew (saith the Writer hereof) a good Priest in *London* that healed all men and women therewith for the most part that came to him. This, for the great likelihood of the Medicine, and for the faithful affirming, I thought good to register among the rest.

68. If of one pound of Wax, two ounces of quick brimstone, and as much of quick Lime (putting

ring thereto a little ounce of the Oyl of Nuts) a Candle be made, with a wick of Bumbast, and so put into the water as soon as ever the quick Lime begins to burn, it will move the rest of the things, apt for the fire to burn, even in the midst of the water. *Mizaldus.*

69. A Ram will not Butt, nor run at one if his horns be bored thorow, nigh unto his Ears *Mizaldus.*

70. Whosoever falls sick in the hour of *Jupiter*, he will recover his health quickly. *Haly Abenragel.* This have I proved to be true many times : And in the hour of *Jupiter* it is an excellent hour to do any thing, or to take any good thing in hand. *Mizaldus.*

71. A little Gun-powder put into a piece of fine linnen cloth, and the same put into the hollow Tooth, or holden between the Teeth, so that it touch the aking Tooth, it puts away the Tooth-ach presently. This is very true.

72. If you distill herb Ivy, and give the water thereof to be drunken of them that are grieved or tormented with the Gout, anointing also therewith the Gouty or grieved place, it will heal or help them assuredly. Great warranties was made of this Medicine, where I had it.

73. A special Medicine for all sudden sickness, and especially of the stomach or brest. Take a spoonfull of *Aqua vite*, and put therein half a spoonful of the pouders of Liquorish, and let it remain therein three hours, and drink it fasting, or at even when you go to bed. It is a Sovereign thing for the stomach or brest.

74. Lay Saffron on the Navel of them that have the yellow Jaundise, and it will help them. This was affirmed to me as proved.

75. This following is an excellent Medicine to purge the head of naughty humors, and to help the Head-ach, the swimming of the head, and Megrim. Wash the Roots of Beets, and cut away the uppermost bark, then stamp the same, and wring out the juice thereof, then snuffe some of it out of a spoon into your nose, and a marvellous effect will follow, and a speedy remedy thereof. A Gentleman a friend of mine told me this, as an approved thing in this case.

76. Cocks that eat Garlick, are most stout to fight; therefore travellers do often bite thereof, and also such as follow wars, because it encreaseth agility, strengtheneth them and makes them bold. It is given to Horses with Bread and Wine, at the hour of battle or conflict, to make them more fierce, lively, and to suffer more easily their labour and travel. *Mizaldus.*

77. If the feet of a great living Toad be cut off, the Moon void of course, that is, aspecting none, and hastens towards the Conjunction of the Sun, and hanged about the neck of him or her that hath the Kings Evil, it so profits; that oftentimes it delivers the party from the Disease. *Hieronimus Caican.*

78. If *Jupiter* be in the eleventh house well affected, and not retrograde, nor combust, nor in his fall, as in *Capricorn*, but in *Cancer*, *Sagittary* or *Pisces*, it signifies the child then born shall be fortunate, happy, and have a common love in all

things; chiefly if he have any dignity in the Ascendent, or the place of the Sun, in the Nativity of the day, or in the place of the Moon, in the Nativity of the night *Taisnier*.

X 79. This Marvellous Water following, will recover the sight again, hindred of any cause, where-with *Constantine* the Emperor receiued his sight. Take three drams of Turky, made in very small powder, as much of *Aloe Epaticum* in powder, two drams of fine Sugar, six ounces of Rose Water, as much of pure White Wine, mix all together and put it into some clean Vessel of Glass, and being well closed and stopt, set it in the Sun a month together, stirring it together once every day; then take of the same Water four or five drops in your eyes, morning and even, and with this continuing a certain space, it will cause the sight to come again, as fair as ever it was before. This I know is proved for an excellent Water for the Eyes, for it cleareth them marvellously. I knew one that could not thred a Needle without Spectacles, which put not past two or three drops of the same Water in his Eyes at night, and the next morning; and the same party did see well to thread a Needle without Spectacles,

80. To make a light that shall never fail. Take the Worms that shine in the night, called Glow-Worms, stamp them, and let them stand till the shinning matter be above, then with a feather, take off the same shinning matter, and mingle it with Quicksilver, and so put it into a Vial, and hang the same in a dark place and it will give light. This I had out of an old Book.

81. If the Liver of a Mouse be given in a Fig to a Swine, that Swine will follow the giver thereof *Mizaldus*.

82. The sound of an Eccho is thought to drive away Bees, therefore their Hives ought to be placed where the Eccho or the voice doth not sound against.

83. Whosoever takes his Journey in the hour of *Jupiter*, he shall have good gain in his substance, and in his business, and he shall have profit and gladness in things that are unlooked for. *Haly Abenragel*.

84. If a Spider be put in a linnen cloth, a little bruised, and holden to the nose that bleeds, (but touch not the nose therewith, but smell to the same) by and by, the blood will stay, and the nose will leave bleeding. This is very true, for the venomous Spider is so contrary, and such an enemy to mans blood, that the blood draws back, and shuns the Spider presently. A marvellous thing.

85. Write what you will, on white paper, with the juice of a red Onion, well mixed and tempered with the white of an Egge, which being dry, will appear as though it were plain paper, without any writing; but if you hold it against the fire, you may then easily read it, or perceive the Letters. *Lemnius*.

86. To gild Iron or Copper, Take the Gaul of a Bull, and rub the Iron or Copper well therewith so that your sure the same before was well burnished all about, that you would have glided, and let it after dry in the Sun foreseeing that there come no dust thereto, and when it is dry, gild upon it,

as you would do upon Silver. *Mizaldus*.

87. Seeth an Egg in strong vinegar until it be very hard, then let the same Egg lie three days in Urine, then dry it, and it will be marvellous hard. Or let an Egge lye three days in Vinegar then dry the same at the Sun three days, and it will be very hard.

88. Cast Brimstone in a Chafindish with hot burning coles, and hold a red Rose over the smoke thereof, and it will be White.

89. To seperate Gold from any thing gilded; Seeth pure Sulphur revive (called quick Brimstone) in water, untill half the water be consumed, then wet the part gilded with that water, then dry it at the fire, then strike the same gilded place with a little Iron, and the Gold will fall from it. This I had out of an old written book.

90. To prove or find out the event of any that is sick. Count the days from the beginning of his or her sickness, and take the root of an herb which hath so many leaves, as the number of the same days be, tie it or hang it up, and if the disease be curable, the party will be much recreated; if not, then the party will be sad: but if you cannot find any herb that hath so many leaves, put the roots of divers herbs together, the leaves whereof together, do perfectly make up the number of the said dayes, from the beginning of the parties sickness, and use them as abovesaid. This *Mizaldus* had of an Italian.

91. The blood of a Hare dried, doth help and stay the bloody flux, or any other lax, though it be never so sore or extream. So doth the bones of a
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man or woman made into fine powder, and taken in red wine.

92. An easier plaister for the Gout, but not a little effectual, because I (saith *John Ardern*) have oftentimes applied it, as well to women as to men; and have taken away their great pains, with once applying it, as well in the feet as in the knees, and other joints. But take heed it be not perceived of the patient nor of any other, but it ought to be kept more secret and dear, and let it be revealed to none but to thy Son, or any well-beloved friend. I do think it prevails above all other Medicines for the Gout, and easeth the pain sooner, and ought to lie five or six days without any moving of it, if it can be so applied; it is made thus. Take of black Soape as much as is sufficient, whereunto add of the Yolks of raw Eggs, half as much as the Sope, and mix them well together in a dish; untill the Sope hath lost his proper colour; which done lay thereof upon fine Flax, and spread it like a plaister, and then apply it to the grieved place, then take the whites of Eggs mixed with Wheat flower, and wet a Linnen cloth well in the same, and lay the same upon the said plaister, and tie it well upon it, that the plaister remove not away, of all the said time unless there be some great occasion. This is proved.

93. If you seeth Barly, dry Beans, and Liquorish cut in pieces; of each a like much, all together in fair Water, and drink a good Draught thereof with some Sugar every morning fasting, and every night when you are going to bed, five or six days together, or more, it will destroy an Impostume.

hume, and shall thereby avoid or cast out the same. Proved.

94. He will be a good Physitian in whose Nativity *Mars* and *Venus* are corporally, or by any good Aspect, conjunct. Even so if *Venus* and *Mercury* be joined, or in conjunction together. Also he will be a perfect Physitian in whose Nativity *Mars* and *Venus* are conjunct in the sixth house. *Jarrom.*

95. A very little bird called *Egithus*, doth marvellously disagree with the Asse, who, in thorny places, doth scratch or rub his Ulcers or sores, whereby he doth destroy or break the nests of this Bird; whereupon it comes, that as soon as the Bird hears the voice of the Asse, she doth not only cast the Eggs out of her nest, but also her young ones (if she have any) do fall from the same, astonished with fear; so that the Bird flies unto the Ulcers or Sores of the Asse, and pricks and thrusts at them with her bill, that she may drive him away from thence.

96. If the Lord of the Ascendent be Combust in the fourth house or in the eighth house, it signifies that he that is then born, shall die in prison. And if he be combust the fifth house, in a watry sign, it shews he will be given to be drunk. In the sixth house, it shews that he will die of a long sickness. *Tassnier.*

The End of the Eighth Book.

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The Ninth Book.

I.

Fill an Egg full of the Juice of Egrimony, and give it unto the Patient to Drink, whom you suspect to have drunk Poyson, and it will mightily Purge upward all the Poyson, with a wonderful facility healeth the Biting of Serpents, and other Venemous Beasts. *Pet. Hisp.*

2, This Oyl or Balm following, is of a marvellous Vertue against trembling and the Palsey, and it helpeth the Memory, anointing the Hinder part of the Head therewith; which a most singular Phisician kept private to himself for a time, as a most precious Secret, which in the end revealed it to the Author; whereof the making followeth. Take of *Galbanum* one pound, (in another place I have heard it half a pound) of Gum, Ivie, three ounces, these finely beaten a part, mix together, which after put into a Glasse Botle with an head, and distil it in *Balneo Mariae*. After it is distilled, mix therewith one ounce of the Oyl of Bays, and one pound of good Turpentine, then let the whole be distilled, and separate the Water from the Oyl, and keep the Oyl as a precious Balm. The use of this is, that the Patient vexed with the Palsey, Convulsion, the Cramp, and Trembling of Members, be laid on his Back, and the Oyl temperately hot, and poured

powred upon the Belly, into the hollow and bottom of the Navel, and you shall see after a marvellous working, that may rather be counted Divine, than Natural, and very much helpeth the Palsey, and strengtheneth the Memory, used as before. A certain Practitioner applied one drop of this Oyl on the Patients Forehead that had the Palsey, and another on his Navel, and he incontinent arose, as amazed, and was after one hour delivered of a grievous pain of a Wound in a certain place of his Body, and the shrunken Sinews being anointed with this Oyl, the Patient was suddenly healed, &c. This Oyl helpeth Deafness, and any Sickness proceeding of a cold cause, and helpeth besides the loss of Smelling. *Arnoldus de Villanova*. I take to be the Author thereof.

3. The Hoof of a Beast called *Alces*, which is a wild Beast like a Fallow Deer, having no Joynts in his Legs, hath a marvellous Vertue and strength against the Falling Evil: For a little piece thereof enclosed in a Ring, and the same Ring put upon the Finger, next the Little Finger, so that the same piece of the Hoof be turned toward the Palm of the Hand, doth recreate marvellous much, that are Fallen, and immediately makes them rise up. A little piece of the same bare, and put into the hand, by and by closed into a Fist, suddenly drives away the Disease, and raiseth the Party that is Fallen therewith; which *Lemnius* saith, he proved once or twice. And *Mizaldus* saith, that he proved it, putting in a little piece of the same in the left Ear, (moving it, as scratching a little) of one that had the Falling Sickness, and it had a very good success, and

and it was counted for a Miracle. *Johanes Agricola* doth say the like is done, if a little piece of the same Hoof be hanged upon one that hath the same Disease, so that it may touch the Skin. I do hear, saith *Mizaldus*, that Scraping or Filings thereof are given in *Polonia*, for the same Disease. The Hoof of the right hinder Foot is to be chosen: But you must take heed of false Deceivers, which sell the Hoofs of Oxen or Kine, for the true Hoofs of *Alces*.

4. It is a most sure and proved Remedy, as well in curing of Spitting of Blood, as also in preserving from the same, every day in the Morning fasting to eat a Scruple, which is the weight of four and twenty Barly Corns, of Rubarb Roasted at the fire. *Emperica Benedicli Faventius*.

5. Bay Salt well beaten into Pouder, and sifted, and Incorporated or mixt well with the Yolk of an Egg, and so laid upon any Carbuncle, Plague sore, Botch, Boyl, or Impostume, assuredly (by the Grace of God) it will draw to it self, all the Venom of the Plague, or the Sore, and break any Boyl, or other thing, so that in short time the same will be healed. A tried thing.

6. If the Forehead of the Sick wax Red, and his Brows fall down, and his Nose wax sharp and cold, and his left Eye become little, and the Corner of his Eye run, if he turn to the Wall, if his Ears be cold, or if he may suffer no brightness, and if his Womb fall, if he pull Straws or the Cloaths of his Bed, or if he pick often his Nostrils with his Fingers, and if he wake much, these are most certain tokens of Death.

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7. Pottage made of the Leaves and Roots of Strawberries, being eaten fasting certain dayes, of them that have the Jaundise, doth help them perfectly. This was the secret of a certain Monk, where-with he got marvellous much Money.

8. A Serpent doth so hate the Ash-tree, that she will not come nigh the shadow of them: And therefore she goes far from them, both Morning and Evening, because then they give the longest shadows. And *Pliny* saith, that he hath proved it, that if one compass a place about with the Branches of an Ash-Tree, so that there be a fire, and a Serpent enclosed in the same, the Serpent will rather go into the fire, than he will seek to pass over, or thorow the Ashen Branches, &c. *Mizald.*

9. Juniper Berries are Medicinable against Poyson, for there is none of like Operation unto it. And *Diascorides* saith also, that they do help against Poysons, and Stingings of Serpents. *Petrus Hispanus.*

10. To try whether Precious Stones be pure or not. Heat a Plate of Iron on the fire, then anoint the same with Oyl, and cast or strew on the same, the Poulder of Glass, whereupon lay quick burning Coles, and then hold the Stone that you would try a good while over the same Coles, that the Stone may be hot, not touching the fire, and then if the Stone lose his Colour, he is not good or pure, but if he keep his Colour, he is then perfect and right.

11. As principle a Medicine as ever was ordained for the Bone Ach, either in Women or Men, in what Place soever it be. Take a Penny-worth of *Aqua Vita*, and another of Oyl *De Bay*, and

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mix them together, and anoint the grieved place therewith hot by the fire, and it will do away the pain for ever, using it often, But you must warm the Oyntment a little in a Sawcer, before you lay it on, and chafe it well, until it be dried in, and cover it warm at all times, until it be whole. Thus I found it written.

12. Egrimony, Mugwort, and Betony both Leaves and Roots stampd with old Grease and Vinegar, or Verjuice, and a Plaister thereof applied to the grieved or sore pained Back, will quite put away Pains and Grief thereof, so that you use it three or four times. A sure and Proved Medicine. *Mizal.*

13. If you will catch Moles, or Wants, put Garlick, Leeks, or an Onion in the Mouths of their Holes, or in their entrings into the Ground, and you shall see them come, or Leap out quickly, as though they were amazed or astonished. *Albertus.*

14. If the Fistula be outward, put into it the Juice of Culverfoot, for it healeth it. If inward, drink it, and it healeth also. This is true, for it hath been proved.

15. For them that have Surfeited, or Eaten too much. Let them stamp Betony, and temper it with hot Water, and a little Wine, then strain it well, and drink a good Draught thereof Morning and Evening, first or last, three dayes together, and it will thorowly help them, God-willing. This was told me for a Truth.

16. The two Horns of a Snail, born upon a man, will pluck away Carnal or Fleshly Lust from the Bearer

Bearer thereof. I had this out of an Old written Book; but how true it is I know not.

17. For all Evils of the Stomach, and for them that cannot Eat. Take an Herb called Centory, and seeth it well in stale Ale, and when it is well sodden, then stamp it, after that seeth it again in the same Ale, let there be two handfuls of Centory, to three quarts of Ale, and let them seeth as before said, to three Pints, then put thereto one Pint of pure Hony, and boil them together, and keep it in some clean Vessel, and give to the Party grieved, three spoonfuls thereof fasting every day, till he be whole and well, for it drives away the Fleam and Corruption from the Stomach, and makes him have a great desire to his Meat, within four or five dayes. Often proved.

18. The Pouder of Betony put in Wine, that is, a spoonful of the Pouder to a draught of Wine, a little boiled on the fire, be drunk; doth presently help such as have drunk Poyson before. Whosoever drinks the same in a morning fasting, no Poison taken after the same day, can hurt him. This is Proved.

19. The Dung of a Cat dried, and so mixed with strong Vinegar, that it may be something thick, and therewith any hairy place rubbed oftentimes, or anointed in a day, it will cause that hair to grow no more in that place: Proved of a Country-man. *Mizaldus.*

20. If the Lapwing do sing before the Vines do bud, it is said that it foreshews great plenty of Wine. *Mizaldus.*

21. Whosoever delivers a Sum of Money in the hour

hour of *Jupiter*, he shall receive it again well with gain. *Haly Abenragel*.

22. This Potion, or Drink following, is wonderful, and very often proved of me, saith *Petrus Hispanus*, for it killeth the *Fistula*, in what place soever it be, and draweth out the corrupt and broken Bones. Take the Roots and Leaves of Plantane, Strawberry-Leaves, the Leaves or Seeds of Hemp, the Leaves or Seeds of Mustard, the Tops of sharp Docks, and Colwort Leaves, and Tansey; let them all seeth in a good quantity of White Wine; after strain all the whole, and put into the strainings as much Hony as shall be thought meet: Give thereof unto the Patient early and late, until such time as the clear Potion or Drink come forth by the mouth of the *Fistula*; which alwayes must be kept open with a Silver Pipe put into it, and keep upon it always a red Colwort Leaf. It is of a wonderful Operation, *Pet. Hisp.* And I my self have proved it, and healed in such manner as is before declared: It is a precious thing.

23. Dragons bound to the Privities of a Woman in Labour, causeth her to be delivered Incontinent. But there must be heed taken, that it be quickly removed, lest it draw forth the Matrix withal. *Pet. Hisp.*

24. Here followeth an excellent Oyl, which maketh a fair Collour in the Face. Take of Almonds scraped ten pounds, of Red Sanders in powder, six ounces, of Cloves one ounce, of White Wine four ounces, of Rose Water three ounces; these after they be grossly beaten together, let them lie in a Marble Morter close covered, for eight or nine days, beat-

beating the same over once a day ; then beat it all in an earthen vessel, until it begin to fume and be thorow hot, and after that put it into a new squire bag of a linnen cloth, then put the same bag into a press, between two smooth plates of Iron, something hot, for out will come a red Oyl, wherewith Women may anoint their faces ; for it causeth a comely red fine beautiful skin. A secret and practised of few. This is in the new Jewel of Health, a Book of much value and small price.

25. The greace of an Eel, and the juice of Singreen mixed together, of each a like much, boiled a little, and a little thereof put into the deaf Ear nine nights together, will bring the hearing again as well as ever it was.

26. Take Salt Armoniack, Allome, and salt Niter, of each a like quantity, with a little filings of silver, let all be mixt together, then put them into the fire that they may be hot, and when they shall cease to smoak, then with the same poudre alone, or else mixt or moistned with the spittle of your mouth, let copper or brasse be rubbed therewith, and straightway it will have the colour of silver. Proved.

27. Serpents being within a Circle made of Betony cannot go out of the same. but rather will die with beating themselves.

38. Plantain stamp, and the juice wrung out, and put into the hollownes of an Ulcer with a spowt, healeth the same. So doth Betony stamp, and applyed to a Fistula, healeth it, The juice of Cinquefoyl, doth heal the Fistula likewise, if it be put into the same with a spowt.

29. To separate Gold from any thing that is Guilded. Take Borace, and temper it in Water, then Boyl it over the fire, and with the same Water anoint the thing that is Guilded, and cast thereon a little of the Poulder of Quick Brimstone; after put it into the fire that it might be made Red hot, then quench it in Running Water, and you shall find the Gold in the bottom of the Vessel.

30. For any Pains in the Ears, and for them that cannot hear. Take a great Onyon, cut a hole therein, and set it in the Embers to Roast, then fill it full of Oyl Olive, and ever as it drieth, fill it up again till it be Roasted well, then take away the uppermost skin thereof, then strain the Onyon thorow a Cloth, and keep it in some clos Glass, and when you will occupy thereof, put some of it into the whole Ear, and let him lie on his sore Ear when he goes to Bed; and if he use this nine nights at the furthest, it will help him.

31. For the Fundament that goeth forth. Take the Tops of Red Nettles, and stamp them in a Morter, then put it into an earthen Pot, then put thereto a good portion of White Wine, and set it over the fire, and let it seeth till half the Liquor be consumed, and give the Party diseased, a good draught thereof, something hot, to dring Morning and Evening, first and last, for the space of ten dayes; and also apply the Herbs something warm to his Fundament, and it will help him perfectly.

32. For the Eyes that be chafed, and the Lids turned up, Bleared Eyes. Take Arnement, Hony, and the white of Eggs, of each a like much, temper them well together; then take flax and lay the

same thereon, then apply the same upon the sore Eyes, and it will draw the evil Blood out of them, and perfectly heal them. This Medicine hath been proved.

33. It is said that a Hart doth so abhor a Ram, that he cannot abide the sight of him. *Aristotle, Pliny, and others.*

34. This following is a Secret, and an approved thing for the Palsie, whereof if you give thrice in the day to him that hath the Palsie, half an ounce, that is, in the Morning three hours before Meat, and two hours before Supper, and at his going to Bed, it will help them thereof. Take of the new and fresh Brain of an Hare, broiled or fried one pound, the Juice of Sage, of Herb Ivy, and the Juice of the Root of Acorns, of each three drams, of pure Cinamon, Cloves, Black Pepper, of each halfa dram, Turpentine washt with the water of Herb Ivy, 3 ounces, Sugar dissolved in the water of Herb Ivy, as much as doth suffice; and therefore make a Lectuary according to Art, and know that it is marvellous. *Emperica Benedicti, Victorii Faventini.*

X 35. To help swoln Legs. Take Mallows, and seeth them in Water, then stamp them well, and strain them; then put thereto Barrows Grease, and fry them together, until it be something thick, and like an Oyntment, lay some thereof upon a cloth, and make a Plaister, and Apply it to the Sore and Swoln Leg, and lay a new Plaister thereto twice every Day, Morning and Evening, three or four dayes together, and by that time it will be asswaged, and as small as the other, This was told me by a Woman that had tried it many times.

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36. One never hath the Gout, until he hath known a Woman carnally. *Hippoc.*

37. To put a Schedule, or little Writing in an Egg. Lay an Egg certain dayes in strong Vinegar until it be soft, and Write your Name or what you list in a piece of Paper, and fold the Paper as hard together as you can; then with a Rayser, cut the same Egg in the top finely and advisedly, thorow the which put the little Paper into the Egg circum-spectly, and then put the Egg into cold Water, and immediately the Shell will be hard as it was before. A proper secret.

38. The quiet Beasts have the lesser Galls; the fearfuller, the greater Hearts; the lighter, the more pleasant; the greater Spleen, and the greater Voice, the more Lights; much like to these Verses following.

*Cor ardet, Pulmo loquiter, Fel commouet Iras,
Splen ridere facit, cogit amare fecur.*

That is,

The Heart doth burn, the Lungs do speak,
the Gall to Ire doth move;

The Spleen or Milt doth make us Lagh,
the Liver makes us Love. *Mizaldus.*

39. *Cauda Draconis*, in the second House, called the House of Substance, signifies the Child then born, shall wastfully consume and spend his goods, or signifies the loss thereof, and that he shall come to poverty and open misery. *Haly Habenragel.*

40. Egrimony is of wonderful profit in Medicines, especially against hollow Wounds and Ulcers, *Petrus Hispanus*. And *Trotula* saith, that though the Fistula that Penetrates to the Eyes, is

Incurable; Yet some do Witness that such a Fistula may be Cured by Egrimony alone, by often using it, either in Drink or Pouder. *Filipendula* is good for the same, and the grains or little round things, that are found in the end of the Root. *Cordonius* alleageth Egrimony to be the best and surest Medicine for the Curing of a Fistula.

41. For the Web or Spot in the Eye. Take the great Bone of the Goose-wing, the Elder the better, for though it be a year old, it is not the worse, break it and take out the Marrow that is within it, then put some of it upon the Web, or Spot, and it will break it, and save the sight. Proved.

42. The Vertues of Tormentill. This Herb comforteth the Sight, and cleanseth the Body of divers Maladies, the Pouder thereof is good to clarifie the sight of the Eyes, though one be blind: And this Herb is drest on this manner. Take the Herb with the Root, and seeth it with White Wine, till the third part be sodden away, and give him that is blind, to drink of this Liquor nine days in the morning cold, and at night blood-warm, and within that time he will recover his sight (by Gods grace;) but if the sight of the Eye be hurt, take also the Herb and stamp it, and seeth in White Wine, with a little water put into the Wine, then lay or spread the Herbs on a Linnen Cloth, and bind it upon his Eye or Eyes, and it brings a wonderful help, if thou stamp this Herb with the Root, a good quantity, and put it into a little Vessel full of Wine, and let it remain therein three months. Whosoever drinks often of this Wine, though he hath been

been blind nine years, he will recover his sight again. This I had out of an old written Book, which doth much agree with *Petrus Hispanus*, in this case, whose mind thereof I have mentioned in another place of this Book.

43. If the part of Fortune be Cadent from the Ascendent, and doth not behold there the Light or Lumenary of the time, and his Lord be weak and infortunate, and removed from an Angle, not beholding the part of Fortune, and the Lord of the House of Substance be evil affected of evil Planets, or of the Beams of the Sun, which destroys and scatters, it signifies that he or she that is then born, shall be poor, a wretch, and that he will not be able to get his own Living. and that he is like to live of Alms. *Haly Habenragel*.

44. This following is a Secret and Approved Medicine for them that are short breathed, very good for the Poor, because it is not costly. Take of the Roots of Holliock dried in the shadow one pound, made in fine Poudre, clarified Honey four pound; seeth them over a fire, and stir them together until it be in the form of a Lectuary, whereof let the Patient take often, and he will be whole. *Emperica Benedi^{ti} Vi^{ctorii} Faven*.

45. A perfect and most sure and proved Remedy, and a rare Secret for helping of Womens Breasts that be swoln, and full of pain, which was revealed unto me by an old Woman, who said that the Lady Owen, Doctor Owens Wife, used it to Women in this case very much, who keep it as a Secret. The Medicine followeth. Stamp or bruise nine little Worms, of some called Swiss lice (which

commonly will be found between the Bark and the Wood of old or dry Trees, which have many Feet, and being touched, they become as round as a Button) in eight or nine spoonfuls of Drink, let them remain therein all Night, and the eighth Morning strain the same Drink, and let the diseased Woman drink the same a little warmed, at one draught, and then let her lay to her Brest, a two or threefold linnen Cloth warmed; the next Morning, let her take eight of the same little Worms in drink, in such order as before, and the third Morning seven, and the fourth Morning six, and so every Morning following one less, decreasing one every morning, until nine mornings be ended, on which ninth morning she must take but one of them, as it will fall out by the decreasing one every day, and if she be not then thoroughly whole of her Brest, let her increase every morning one immediately following, until she hath received nine at one time, according to the order before appointed. A rare and Notable thing, if it be true; for I never proved it.

46. For the Swelling of Arms, Legs, or Feet. Take Linseed, Wheat Bran, Brooklime, Chickenweed, Groundsel, of each one handfull, and one Pottle of White Wine: Seeth them all together, till it be thick, and lay a Plaister thereof to the place that is swoln, as hot as the Party can suffer the same; and it will take it away and help him with three or four Plaisters. Proved.

47. To help a stinking Breath that comes from the Stomach: Take two handfulls of Cummin seed, and beat it to Pouder, then seeth it in a Pottle of
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White Wine, until a Quart thereof be wasted away, then give the Party a good draught thereof, first and last, as hot as he may suffer it, and it will make him have a sweet Breath within fifteen dayes. This is Proved.

48. Put the Feet of Hens in hot Embers, till Scales or Skin thereof be separated and shrunk from the Legs; and with the same Skin warm, rub Warts three or four times or more, and it will drive them away. *Petrus Hispanus.*

49. If you will do away or consume a Wen, do as followeth: Bind fast the Wen, then take Verdigrease, Brimstone, Soap, Oyl, of Eggs, Alom, and Hony, of each a like much, and temper them together, and lay it thereto, and it will do away the Wen, and heal it.

50. A singular Oyl, and very Rare, which causeth a comely Face, and maketh the Person merry which useth it, yea, strong and hardy to fight; the making whereof doth follow. Take one pound or two of Hempseed, which after the finely beating thereof, sprinkle and wet it with a little Wine, then put all the same into a new Earthen Pan glazed, and set it over the fire, heat it so long until you cannot suffer your hand in it, after put the same substance hot into square Bags, which wring hard out in a Press, and an Oyl will come forth very profitable; whereof if any drinketh to the quantity of an ounce at a time, it maketh him pleasant and merry; and if a Souldier drink it, it will wake him both fierce and hardy to fight, without any fear or doubt of his Enemy. And also it is profitable to women, in that it maketh them merry, and comely

see to, and in this manner you may draw out an Oyl out of all Seeds. This is in the New Jewel of Health.

51. A notable and often proved Medicine for a Sciatica, Ach, Gout, or other Pain or Grief. Take a pint of pure *Aqua Composita*, one Beasts Gall, and one ounce of Pepper beaten into Poulder, boyl them all together, until half the *Aqua Vita* be consumed; then lay some thereof in a Cloth like a Plaister, and apply it something hot to the grieved place, and let it lie twelve hours unremoved, and do thus four or five times if need be; for it is a sure help.

+ 52. A precious Water for Eyes that be fair and clear, and yet are blind. Take Smallage, Red Fennel, Rhew, Vervin, Bettony, Egrimony, five-leaved Grass, Pympernel, Eye-bright, Sage, Celandine, of each one quarter of a Pound, wash them clean, and stamp them in a fair Brazen Morter, or in a Pan, then take the Poulder of fifteen Pepper Corns finely searced, and a pint of good White Wine, and do them to the Herbs, and also take three spoonfuls of Life Hony, and fifteen spoonfuls of the Urine of a Boy that is an Innocent, and mix them all together, and boyl them over the fire a little while, and strain all through a Cloth. and keep it in a Glasse well stoppt, until you occupy it; and with a Feather do it into the sore Eye, and if it dry away, temper it with White Wine again. This is a Medicine for all manner of evils of sore Eyes, to make a Man see, if ever he shall see, within fifteen dayes on warrantise, by the Grace of God. This I took out of an ancient written Book.

53. If you rub Warts with Egrimony, stamp and mixt with Vinegar, and also plaistred upon them, it taketh them away clean. And also if Purslain be rubbed upon them, it pulleth them up by the roots. *Pet. Hisp.*

54. For the Cods that are swoln. Take the powder of Cumminseed, Barly Meal, and Honey, of each a like much, fry them together with a little Sheep-suet, and bind the same as a plaister all about the Cods, and it will help.

55. This following will break any Byles, Botches, or any Fellons. Lay first thereto some Posset Curd, and let it not be removed in twelve hours, and that will gather the matter together, and make it tender. But if once applying of the Posset Curd do it not, then apply thereof to it twice, or thrice; then take unquenched Lime, and cast upon it some fair Spring Water, and mix the same with black Sope, and lay to the fore a piece thereof according to the greatness that you would have the hole of the Sore to be; and when that it is broke then wash it in White Wine a little heated, and so heal it with Sweet Butter and Powder of Sugar mixed together. This is a sure and approved thing. *Mizaldus.*

56. A noble secret for all incurable Aches and pains in the Joints where ever they be. Take all the whole Horn that a Buck casts off, the later the better, cast away the scape take nothing but the horn, cut the same in shivers or pieces, then seeth the same in a Gallon of fair Water, untill all be come to a pint, or something more; then cast away the pieces of the horn, and then let that in the Vessel

Vessel stand still until it be cold, which then will be like a Jelly; and when you will occupy thereof, warm, some of it in a saucer, or some other convenient thing and then anoint the grieved place therewith by the fire, morning and evening, and let it drink in, by the heat of the fire. and it wil heal it thorowly for ever (God willing) within nine or ten dressings. This is very true and well proved, which a friend of mine told me that helpt himself of such an Ach therewith, that neither counsel of Physicians, practice of Surgeons, nor yet the long using of the Baths could ease, whereby he spent much money in vain, until a Wench by chance told him this excellent remedy: Which as she said, a Noble man of this Realm did learn beyond the Seas who hath revealed it since to the great comodity and help of many.

X 57. For swoln and sore Throats, a rare and sure remedy. Rub your hand on the bare earth or ground, and then rub therewith the sore or swoln Throat, if presently you do thus three several times the swelling and pain will marvellously go away. This was taught me by a friend of mine, that did know it to be true.

58. An excellent remedy for a great heat and pricking in the eyes. Fill an Egg-shel newly emptied with the Juice of Singreen, and set it in hot embers, and scum off the green baggage from it, and then it will be a Water; then strain it, and put some of it into the hot eyes, four or five nights together, and it will cease the burning and pricking thereof quickly.

59. He will scantly, or never die an evil death,
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that hath a good Planet in his eighth house. *Haly*
Aberragel.

60. A wonderful drink against brusings, and it helpeth such marvellously that are bruised through falling. Take Egrimony, Betony, Sage, Plantane Ivy leaves, Roseparsiy, stamp them together, and mix Wine thereto; give the patient it often to drink till he be whole. A true Medicine. I think that *Petrus Hispanus*. hath the same.

61. If you burn four ounces of Turpentine upon a hot or burning plare of Iron until it may be made in powder, and then mix two drams thereof, with four ounces of the Water of Saxifrage, and give it twice in a week early in a morning, to them that have the Stone in their bladder; and so continue it two months, he shall not only be preserved from breeding of the stone in the Bladder; but also it will burst and drive forth the stone bred there already. This is proved, and a secret, and is to be kept well in mind. *Emperica Benedicti Victorii Faventini.*

62. If Lavender be well sod in water, and strained, and half a pint thereof drunk daily first and last, for the space of a fortnight, it will heal them that have the Palsy. This was found in an old written Book.

63. An excellent and speedy remedy for many Diseases, and chiefly for the stomach. Mix two spoonfuls of Sallet Oyl with two spoonfuls of pure *Aqua vite*, and drink all the same in the morning at one time, do so six or seven mornings together. It is a notable and often proved thing.

64. For the Strangury a strange Medicine. Take a
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pint of good *Aqua Composita*, and put a good handful of Ivy leaves therein, and keep the Vessel well stopt, and the Ivy leaves will consume therein, use to drink of the same three or four spoonfuls at one time, morning and evening, first and last, five or six days together, and you shall see a marvellous help thereof.

• 95. This following is a proved Medicine for the Ach in the Hucle bone called the *Sciatica*. Take a pound of good black sope, one pint of good *Aqua Vita*, half a pint of Sallet Oyl, and a quarter of a pint of the juice of Rew; seeth them and stir them all together over an easie fire, untill it be something thick, and then it may be made in a plaister, and then spread some thereof upon a piece of Leather, and apply it to the Ach or pained place, and let it lye thereon unremoved three days and three nights, and if the pain be not then gone, then apply such another plaister thereto, and remove it not off so long, and it will help it certainly. This was told by one that knew it often proved, *Mizaldus* confirms the same.

67. The powder of White hard Sugar, put into a bloodshot eye, or that that is something dim of sight, it helps the same, and amends the sight very well: Especially, if you put afterward a little Rose-water into the Eye. This I have proved oftentimes to be true. Yea, and I think if it were used, it would consume the web of the eye at length.

68. Black Sheeps wool, mixt and chafed by the fire, with fresh Butter, and the deaf ear stopt therewith at night, and thus used nine or ten nights together, it helpeth deafness perfectly and speedily,

speedily. A proved thing, saith *Mizaldus*.

69. Here followeth a Notable and excellent *Aqua Vita*. Take Galengale, *Cucubarum*, Ginger, Nutmegs, Cloves, Cinamon, of every one an ounce, fresh Sage, four ounces, Water that is distilled six times out of pure and good Wine, ten ounces; put them all together, and let them remain so in a close clean vessel three days: then distill the same, and keep that that is distilled in a clean and close Vessel. Whosoever drinks a Nut-shell full of this Water every day, it will preserve their bodies Marvellously, and keep them from many Diseases, and bring them to old age. It is said that *M. Gallus*, Physician to *Charles* the Emperour, used this Water, and lived a hundred and twenty four years. *George a Lapide* devised this Water.

70. If you desire to have sweet Water, forthwith, or by and by, put two or three drops of Oyl of Spike, in a good deal of pure water, and chafe it together in a Glass with a narrow mouth. *Enonimms*.

71. An excellent Oyl for cold Aches. Take the wood of Ivy dried, cut the wood in little pieces, and of the Berries and Gum of Ivy, of each a like weight, let them be put in an earthen vessel, bored thorow in the bottome in two or three places; and then let another pot be set under it in the earth, and join the bottome of the upper pot unto the mouth of the nether with clay or paste, and the upper pot must stand wholly above the ground: then make a fire on every side, and the Oyle will distill black into the nether Vessel. This Oyle, before all Oyles, ceaseth the griefs of the joints of a cold cause.

cause. This is proved to be a notable Oyl in this case. *Rogerius* seems to be the Author hereof, as appears in *Euonimus*.

72. If you put out the white of an Hens Egg, and fill up the same Egge with the Juict of Flower-deluce, and mix the yolk and it well together, then warming it a little in the hot ashes, and so give it in the morning to them that have the Dropsie, it will avoid downward the Dropsie Water above measure. This is proved to be truth. Much like unto this, *Benedictus Viſtorius*. *Fauentius* writes this for the same cause, but he appoints the Juice to be given with *Mellirate*.

73. A proper practise to make a Capon to bring up young Chickens. Take a Capon and pull his belly bare of Feathers, and after rub the naked place with Nettles, then setting young Chickens under him, he will nurrvellously cherish them then, and bring them kindly up. And the rather if you use him thus for a time, for by that means, he is moved the more willing to cherish, bring up, and feed yea, and to love them, as the Hen would do, naturally. And the reason thereof is, for that by pricking of the Nettles, he is the rather desirous to couch on the soft down and feathers of the young Chickens, sitting under him. This I had out of the Natural and Artificial conclusions of the Schollers of *Padua*; Translated into English by *Thomas Hill*.

74. In *Lamberge*, a Town of *Schelesia*, as *Johannes Langius* writes, a certain Woman great with Child, did follow a Priest that had newly washed or bathed his feet; who being taken with
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such a longing or lust with the sudden sight of his bare Feet, that she privily behind his back, did hold his Leg with her Hands, and out of the same pluck'd a piece of Flesh with her Teeth; nothing regarding the cry of the poor Priest, which cried to God and man.

75. If the Foot or Legs of an Ox, Cow, or Horse, be swoln by chance, mark the ground where the same swoln Leg or Foot doth stand, and take or grave up with a Knife or Dagger, a Turf or Piece of Earth in the same place where the same Foot did stand, and hang the same Turf or piece of Earth upon the Bough of a white Thorn, or some other Tree (if it be fair or dry weather) if not, then hang it in some Chimney where Fire is made, and after as the Turf or Earth doth dry, so will the Swelling cease, and the pain go away. This I have proved to be true divers times. And it is practised of many, especially for Oxen or Kine. But the sudden swelling and grief of my Horse Leg hath been helpt therewith, within two or three dayes, and by no other means. Who list to prove it, shall find it true, although it be far unlikely.

76. The Water wherein Lavender is sod, doth quite put away any spot or staining in any Cloth, Cap or Hat, if the stained place or spotted be washed or rubbed therewith. It is very true, prove it who list.

77. To make any Fowl, of what condition the same be, to have the Feathers all White. Take the Eggs of what Bird or Fowl you will, role them in the Juice of the Herb called Moufear, or in the Juice of Housleek, or otherwise in Oyl (after the
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mind of *Cardanus*) and after put the Eggs again in the nest, for after the hatching, the feathers will grow white. This is taken out of the Natural and Artificial conclusions of the Schollers of *Padua*, Englished by *Thomas Hill*.

79. This confection following is a most excellent Medicine and remedy for many inward effects; especially, for all Fluxes of blood from whensoever they flow, and also other fluxes: Moreover for them that have great pains in their backs, and also pains in their Liver, or whose Liver is not altogether well, And *Galen* the Author hereof saith (belike for the excellency thereof) Give not this before thou hast received a reward therefore; the making whereof doth follow: Take of Cinamon, *Cassia lignea*, *Opium*, of each two drams, Myrrh, both Peppers, Galbanum, of each one dram, let them be stamped, and then mixed with a little clarified Honey, and made in a little lump or masse, give thereof at night two round Pills something bigger then Peason, in the soft of a roasted Apple, and let not the party drink in two hours after, and if his grief and pains be never so great, he will be in marvellous ease and quietness within an hour or two after, and so remain the most part of all the night, yea and perhaps sleep soundly and well. You may give it two or three nights together, if the party be strong, but if he be very weak give it every other night. three or four times; and if the party be in extream pain, then give it when you list. But if the stomach be full of meat or flegme, it will shew the less effect. Whoever shall prove it, will find it a worthy thing. I have proved it a hundred times.

80. A fine way to make Coral by Art, which followeth. Make the Horns of Goats (first shaven or scraped) into Pouder, and let the same steep in strong Lee, made of the Ashes of the wood of an Ash, fifteen dayes together; afterward take it out of the said Lee, and mix it with *Cinabrium* dissolved in Water, and hang it over an easie fire, until it be thick, and if it have then the Colour of right Coral, make it in the form or fashion you think good, dry it, and polish it according to Art. This doth *Mizaldus* describe.

81. The Juice gotten out of a Red Onyon, and three or four drops thereof put into the deaf Ear cold, three or four nights when the Party goes to Bed, helpeth the Deafness, be it never so great or ancient. Fear not, though it put you to much pain at the first time, for at the second time it will be more easie. This was taught me by one that knew it by Proof.

82. To make a Woman that hath a dead Child within her, immediately to be delivered thereof. Take the quantity of an Almond of a Bulls Gall, mix it with two Spoonfuls of Wine, and let her drink it: and she shall avoid in straight. *Jacobus Weckerus*.

83. Divide an Apple in the midst, and in the one half of the Apple in the midst of it make a round hole, by cutting a piece out of it, then into the same hole put a black Beetle, and so lay the flat side on the Table: and the Apple will move, by the means of the Beetle to the marvel of them that behold it.

84. Take an Apple of *Coloquintida*, and lay the same

same to steep in Water a whole night, and after boyl Wormwood in the Water; which Water being cast into about the Chamber, killeth all the Fleas therein. Also anoint a Staff with the Grease of a Hedg-Hog, and lay the same in the midst of the Chamber, and all the Fleas there will come and cleave to that Staff.

85. If Roses and Lillies be sown nigh together, or that they touch one another, the Flowers of them will smell the more pleasantly, and will grow the better. *Mizaldus.*

+ 86. One *Apfius* got much Money with this most excellent Oyl following, and was marvellously esteemed therefore; after whose death the King of *Spain* did give unto his Wife 500 Crowns, for the uttering and disclosing the making thereof, as is manifest in a Book made of the same at large by one *George Baker*, in the English Tongue: which hath manifestly shewed his honest Heart, and Natural Love to his Country. The same *Apfius* in his Life time, and his Wife after his death, did help all Wounds, old Ulcers, Aches, Pains of the Back, and Emrods therewith, and it is marvellous good for the Gout, the making of the Oyl is thus. Take of the most purest and oldest White Wine one quart, of the oldest Oyl Olive three pounds, *Cardus Benedictus* (called the Blessed Thistle) Valerian, and the lesser Sage, with the Flowers if you can get them, of each a quarter of a pound, of the leaves and flowers of St. *Johns Wort*, half a pound, let Herbs and Flowers be infused or steeped in the said Wine and Oyl twenty four hours, then the next day let all be put into an earthen Vessel leaded, or a Vessel

Vessel of Brass upon an easie fire, until the Wine be consumed, moving it still, being over the fire; then being taken from the fire and strained, put thereto of Venice Turpentine, a pound and a half, then let all boyl together a quarter of an houre, then put thereto *Olibanum* five ounces, Mirrh three ounces, *Sanguis Dragonis* one ounce, and let all boyl until all the Mirrh be dissolved, then put it into a Vessel of Glass stopped, and let it stand in the hot Sun ten dayes, before you use this Oyl you must wash the Sores or Wounds with White Wine, wherein must be the Pouder of *Olibanum*. I have written this here, because I think thereby many shall have knowledg of this precious Oyl, which otherwise should never have heard of it.

87. A sweet Water and unknown, whereof one part mixt with ten quarts of pure Water, maketh the whole most sweet. Take Nutmegs, Cloves, Galligale, Spikenard, grains of Paradise, Mace, Cinamon, of every one an ounce, pound or stamp them all, add thereto twenty grains of Musk or less, as you delight in the smell thereof, pour into them a pound and a half of Rose Water; then let them so remain together in a clos Vessel four or five dayes; then put thereto thrice as much Rose Water, and distil all the same in a Pot or Kettle full of Water, seething as in *Balneo Maria*, and distilled Water in a Glass well stopt, to the use before said. *Euonymus*.

88. If an Egg be painted with sundry Colours, and the same set under a Hen which sits to bring forth Chickens, she will Hatch thereof a Chicken having the like Feather unto the Colours painted

ed on the Egg. *Thomas Hill* out of the Natural and Artificial Conclusions of the Schollars of *Padua*, affirms this.

89. If one make a little Rope of the Guts of a Wolf, and then bury the same under the Sand, or Earth, there will neither Horse nor Sheep go that way, though you beat them with a Staff. *Albertus*.

90. It is said that a Hare doth live ten years, the age of a Cat is so much, a Goat doth live eight years, an Ass thirty years, a Stag or Buck, a thousand years, a Sheep ten years, but the Belweather many times doth live fifteen years, a Dog fourteen, but sometimes twenty, a Bull fifteen, but an Ox, because he lacks his stones, doth live twenty, a Swine and a Peacock twenty five, a Horse twenty, and oftentimes thirty, there have been Horses that lived fifty years; Pigeons live naturally eight years, a Turtle, and a Partridg twenty five years, and also a Ringdove, which sometimes lives forty years, a Blackbird and a Crow three hundred years. *Mizaldus*.

91. The body of a Birch Tree, cut or scored, the Spring time going before, doth yield great plenty of Water, which Water being Drunk, hath a marvellous strength to break the Stone in the Reins. *Matheolus* upon *Dioscorides* writes it.

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The Tenth Book.

I.

THere is an evident Familiarity between the Olive Tree, and the Mirt Tree, for as *An-
dronicus* reports, the Branches of the Mirt Tree do pleasantly extend or spread by the Olive Tree, and the Roots of them do mutually imbrace each other, nor any other Plant but Mirt Tree will grow well nigh the Olive Tree. This also *Mizaldus* doth affirm. Proved.

2. The smell of *Bitumen* Raw, or the Smoak thereof burning, received by the Nose of such as are grievously tormented with the pains of the Mother, is a present help or Remedy. It is most certainly proved. Wherefore many Women which are grieved with that Disease, do hang it about their Necks in Wooll, that they may drive away their Fits by the often smelling thereof. *Mizald.* writes this. And the Learned Doctor *Monardus* affirms the like thereof.

3. The Sparrow-Hawk is a fierce enemy to all Pigeons, but they are defended of the Castrel, whose sight and voice the Sparrow Hawk doth fear, which the Pigeons or Doves know well enough, for where the Castrel is, from thence will not the Pigeons go (if the Sparrow-Hawk be nigh) through the great trust she hath in the Castrel her Defender. *Johannes Baptista Porta* hath written this.

4. The Leaves of a Willow Tree, as also the Bark thereof sod in Wine, doth help them that have the Gout, if they be Fomented or Bathed therewith.

5. Three half penny weight of the Pouder of an Adamant Stone, drunk with the Juice of Fennel, draws the Water from them that have the Dropſie. And the ſame Stone put to the Head, takes away quite all the pains thereof. *Jacobus Holerius* an excellent Phiſician affirms it.

6. It is a manifeſt thing, and proved by dayly experience, that the Bodies of them that be Murdered, when they be found, if any of their kindred be then preſent, or the Party or Parties that killed or murdered them, or was the cauſe thereof, immediately blood will burſt forth ſuddenly, either of the Wound, or Noſe, or out of ſome other part of their Body. I would alledg here a great ſort of examples for the verifying thereof, but I omit them, for it is a thing found true by daily experience, beſides that *Dacretius*, *Philip Melancton*, *Johannes Languis*, and *Luminus Lemnius* write thereof.

7. Pieces of Amber being put or tied to the hinder part of the Head, do help the running or watrinenſs of the Eyes, with a marvellous ſucceſs; and hanged about the Neck do hinder Diſtillations, that they go not down by the Throat. *Mizaldus*. Beſides that it is proved to be true.

8. A certain Woman went with a dead Child in her Womb above four years, which by the counſel of Learned Phiſicians and expert Surgeons, was drawn from her by Piece-meal, and the Mother did not only live, but alſo conceived another child,

as *Marby Gornace*, a Noble and Learned Phisician hath affirmed, who was present when the said woman was cut for the getting out of the said dead Child. *Mizaldus* reports this.

9. If Eels be suffocated in Wine, whosoever shall drink of that Wine, though they have been very much given to Wine before, and could scantly abstain from the same; they will loath Wine, and not be desirous to drink Wine hereafter. The green Frogs which use to leap about Springs, if they be suffocated in Wine, work the like effect. *Mizald.*

10. If *Mas Araneus*, called a Shrew, I take it to be the blind Mouse, doth chance to go over any part of any Beast, that part of the Beast will after be lame. This I know to be true.

11. Whosoever would have a very white and delicate skin, let them boyl or heat Lyterge of Silver in Vinegar distilled, and wash therewith their skin which they desire to have Fair, Trim, and White. This I took out of *Mizaldus*.

12. In the time of *Trajan* the Emperour, a certain man having a Disease called the Diffury, did Piss with much ado a knotted Barly straw. *Antho-nius Mizaldus* hath written this: And I knew a Gentleman, that after his death, being opened, had a Pigeons Feather sticking in his Heart, which Feather was shewed me by the Surgeons that did cut and open him.

13. Oates sodden, and the hot fume thereof close received, on' any lame Members either Arms, Legs, or any other, and the said Members put and holden a good while in the same soden Oats, when they may be suffered therein, and the same order

used four or five times if need be, doth help them perfectly that be Lame. This was told me for a very Truth by them that knew it, and saw it tried. *Mizaldus*.

14. The Tooth of a man hanged at the Neck of the party that is tormented with the Tooth Ach, doth take away the pain thereof, especiall if a Bean be put thereto, wherein there is a hole bored, and a Lowse put therein, and the same Bean wrapt in a piece of Silk, and then hanged about the parties Neck, as is aforesaid.

X 15. The whitest Frankinsence made in a very fine Pouder, and drunk with Wine, if it be in Cold weather (or in Winter) or in Water wherein Raisins are sod, if it be Hot weather (or in Summer) in the increasing of the Moon, or the rising of the Sun, at Noon, and at the setting of the Sun, doth marvellously help and increase the Memory, and is very profitable for the Brain and Stomach. *Rasis* the Authour thereof, by the Report of *Mizaldus*.

16. Any part or piece of the Bone of a Mans Arm, with the highest part or end of a Goose Wing, being carried or born of them that have the Quartane Ague, doth Cure the same. *Mizaldus* fathers this on *Geber*.

17. If one that hath the Dropsie, or Jaundise, shall drink their Urine for certain dayes together, it will help marvellously. This *Hermes* saith, But *Benedictus Victorius Faventinus* in his Practises affirms for truth, and saith, it is certainly proved, that five ounces of the Urine of a Boy not polluted, and of a Sanguin Complexion, mixt with

with half an ounce of good white Sugar, being drunk every morning early fasting, for the space of ten days, doth help certainly the Jaundise, and also much drunk at once, a Month together in such order doth help the Dropsie perfectly.

18. Steep a thread in Oyle of Brimstone mixt together, and compass a Glasse with that thread in that place where you would have it broken even, or parted, and after kindle the same thread with fire, and do thus so often until the place of the Glasse be hot, and after compass the same with a thread wet in cold Water, and it will part so clear asunder, as though it had been cut with a sharp pointed Diamond.

19. If they that be swoln and are full of the Dropsie do lie three days and nights in their beds well covered round about in sodden Barly, it helps and cures them perfectly. This was proved by them that came very much swoln from *Ginny*, and one of them that was helpt therewith, revealed it unto me, which I am content to publish to the common commodity of many.

20. A Water that will heal certainly the Fistulaes. Take two pound of Water that is distilled out of good White Wine, as you still *Aqua Vita*, put thereto of the Water of Sage, and of the Water of Rosemary, of either five pound, distill them together, and when they are distilled, put to the Water distilled, one ounce of Sage, and as much of Rosemary, and when they are steeped together eight days, strain it and use it in the curing of Fistulaes, *Euonimus*. In which Book are many excellent things.

22. If you lay the Wick of a Candle to infuse or steep in the Oyl of Hempseed, and after make a Tallow Candle thereof, which if you do light, after it be cold, the same Candle will not go out with any wind, so long as the whole Candle lasteth. And in like sort many lights be made to serve in the night time, if that fine linnen raggs be first soaked in the Oyl of Hempseed, and dipped into molten Tallow, being so bound or wrought on a staffes end or otherwise, lying in an Iron plate at the end of a staffe. This is taken out of the Natural and Artificial Conclusions of the most eminent Schollers of Padua.

23. The young Swallows of the first brood that a Swallow hath, being cut and opened before the full of the Moon, two stones will be found in their Maws, whereof one is of one colour, the other of divers colours; if these stones (so that it be before it touch any ground) be wrapt or inclosed in a Harts skin, and be tyed to the arm, or about the neck of them that have the Falling sickness it doth heal them of the said disease. *Mizald.* Writes this by the report of an *Italian*, which affirmed to him that it was true.

24. Whosoever shall (especially the first Friday in May, and every other Friday in May, before the rising of the Sun,) grave up two Turfs of new grown grass with the dew on the same; and then doth tie the grass sides of them together, and shall then lay the same in the water in the side of a Pond, or in some other Water, so that the vehemency of the Water doth not remove the said Turfs from the place where they be laid, and so letting them

them lie there unremoved nine or ten days, if at the ten days end, he shall take up the said turfs, and untie or loose the same, he shall find a great sort of young Eeles within the same, although there be not one Eele in the same Water at the laying there of the said turfs; And then if he tye the said turfs with the young Eeles together again, and then lay them again in the same water, a great increase of Eeles will after come thereof. This was credibly told me for a very truth, of one that did try the Same. I think they breed of the same Dew. *Mizaldus,*

24. The Vine tree doth not agree with the-Bay tree, for with his odour or smell he is the worse, wherefore when the branches of the Vine draws near to the Bay tree, he will draw backward, flying the smell of his enemy. Even so the Bur is enemy, or doth not agree with Lentiles.

25. If you will colour or paint the bristles of a Swine with divers colours when they be well washt, and sod in Allome Water, let them be put whiles they be warm, in Water coloured with Saffron, if you will have them yellow; or in the juice of Eldern, or Walwort Berries, if you will have them of a blew colour; or in Water mixt with *Flos aris* or Verdegreece, if you will have them of a green colour and so of other colours. You may prove them with the feathers of birds.

26. The pouders of Earth-worms, of Mice dung, or of a Harts tooth, put into the holes of Teeth that be Worm-eaten, doth pluck them up by the roots, or make them fall out without any other Instrument.

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27. If the stone that is found in the head of a long Snail be made in fine powder, and blown in the eye. it puts quite away all spots thereof, and it destroys the web in the Eye, and any other evil in the same. *Mizaldus.*

28. In the Winter time a spoonful of *Aqua vite* sweetned with good Sugar, with a little piece of the purest white bread put into it, lest it should trouble the brain, or do some harm to the Liver, is healthfully given to gross and flematick bodies, that it may concoct the humours, and defend their bodies from the Lethergy, which is a forgetfulness, and a losing almost of the Sences, and from the Appoplexy, which is a ceasing as well of the inward Sences, as of the outward, as from old Diseases. *Lemnius.*

29. To make a Candle burn under the Water. Tak Wax, Brimstone and Vinegar, of each a like quantity, boyl all these together over the fire, until the Vinegar appear all consumed, and then of that that remains, make a Candle, and you shall see the proper effects as above written. This is taken out of the Natural and Artificial Conclusions of the Schollers of *Padua* Translated by *Thomas Hill.*

30. Take a Ring that is hollow round about, into which put Quick-silver, and stop the same fast, that it run not forth, after heat the Ring somewhat in the fire, which being hot, lay it on a table or stool, and soon after it will leap or dance of it self untill it be cold.

31. Quench hot Iron in the juice of Hemlock, three or four times, letting it remain therein every time

time till it be cold, and the Iron will be soft. Also *Carnane* writeth, that if you take Oyle, putting it into molten lead, seven times together, and after quench Iron red hot in that Oyle four or five times together, it will make it soft. A proved thing saith *Mizald*.

32. A certain Woman with Child, seeing a Bakers shoulder naked or bare while he did put bread into the Oven, did long or desire so much to eat of the said Bakers shoulder that she abhorred or loathed all other meat, Her Husband having pity of his loving Wife, did agree to give the Baker certain money for every bit that his Wife would bite of his shoulder, and the same Baker suffered the said Woman to have two bites at his shoulder, but when she began to bite a third time, he was so grieved with pain, that he would suffer her no more to bite at his shoulder. Immediately after the Woman travailed, and brought forth three Children, two of them alive, and the third dead. *Johannes Langius* is the Author hereof by *Mizaldus* his Report.

33. A notable distilled Water as followeth, worthy to be compared to gold. Take one part of Centian, and two parts of Century, stamp them together, and put Wine to them, and let them soke together five days, then distill them, keep the water distilled in a close clean Vessel; this water drunk morning and evening, preserveth the body from all kind of diseases, it putteth away all Imposthumes, it maketh good colour, it resisteth the Plague, it healeth the sick of Pilsick, it avoideth the stuffed stomach, it breaketh the stones in the Reines, it separateh

perateth and putteth away the Watry humours of the Spleen, it helpeth the forward Flowers, if it be drunk Nine days together in the morning, and purgeth the belly; also it purgeth all choller, and corrupt blood, it healeth all wounds within the belly, it cleareth the sight, it cureth poysoned bitings. To the healing of the wounds, the Pouder of Centory ought to be put to them. *Julius's* book of Waters. *Erysimum* describes this which is a worthy Work.

34. Put Quicksilver in a Bladder, and lay the Bladder in a hot place, and it will skip from place to place, without handling.

35. An excellent Water for purifying or cleansing the skin of the face, or other parts of the body, which is a secret, and unknown. Take six New-laid Eggs, half a pound of Malmsey, a young Pigeon not wholly feathered, half a pound of New Cheefe coming from the Press made of unskim'd milk, eight Oranges, Oil of Tartar three ounces, one ounce of Ceruse made in fine powder, Gum of Arabick, and Mastick, of either half an ounce, water of bean flowers eight ounces, Rice four ounces, steeped first a whole day and a night in half a pint of Cream; cut the Oranges in pieces, and stamp them a little, then put altogether with the Cream and Rice also, and distil the same also with an easie fire, and keep the water therewith distilled in a clean close stopp'd Glas, and use to rub or wet the face therewith every evening before you go to bed, and every morning wash it clean with Water distilled of Bean flowers. Use this for a fortnight or three weeks together, and you shall find it a notable thing.

36. To make a Glew to hold or join things together, as hard or fast as a stone, and an excellent secret. Take unslackt Lime, and quench the same with Wine, and beat the same into fine powder, mixing therewith both Figs and Swines greace, and after labour them well together: for this (as *Pliny* writeth) passeth the hardness of a Stone, which joineth broken pots or any thing together. Also take Greek Pitch, Rozin, and the powder of little stones, these mix together, and when you will occupy of the same, then heat it over the fire, and work therewith (that is, join any thing therewith) and it holdeth them together as hard as any rail. Also take of *Spum ferri*, one pound of Tyle-shards in powder two pound, of unslackt Lime four pound of Oyl of Linseed, as much as shall suffice to prepare, mix and work them together, this Glew is marvellous strong which neither feareth nor yieldeth to Water nor fire. This is of the Natural and Artificial conclusions of the Schollers of *Padua* Translated into English by *Thomas Hill*.

37. An Angel-like Water of a marvellous vertue against blearedness of the Eyes, Canks and burning with fire. Take three ounces of unslackt Lime and half a pound of rain Water, let them stand together in a Vessel of Glasse or Tin, three days, then mix and stir them together, and let them settle again a whole day and a night, in a vessel covered, afterward strain them tenderly thorow a linnen cloath, until it be clear, then put into it ten drams of Salt Armoniack, the whitest you can get, beat it finely, and let it be dissolved with long standing, and oft moving in the said Water. And when it is settled, strain

strain the clean Water that standeth above, certain times, or else diffill it by a filter. This Water healeth the Spot and Web in the eye; if you drop three drops thrice every day into them, continuing so until the Eyes be whole; it taketh away also the tears of the Eyes, the redness, and the blearedness of the Eyes, and also the Canker and burning: It taketh away all spots and stains out of cloth, both of Silk and Woolen, if they be washed with it a little warmed. *Funerius* by the report of *Euonimus*. Besides I have proved it in the like case; therefore I am bold to say it is an excellens thing.

38. An excellent Water called the Golden Water, a Balm and a black Oyl doth follow.

Take of pure Turpentine, seven ounces, wash it well with white Wine, after take good white Honey three pound; clarifie it with a little White-wine over an easie fire, and take off the scum still from it, then put the Turpentine, to it, mixing them well together; then pour thereto of *Aqua vite* four pound, and mix them well in a body of Glass, luting it (or stoping it well) then take Buglosse, Borage, Bame, Sage, Lavender, of each one handfull Wormwood one Dram, Rosemary two handfulls, then take Wood of Aloes, *Xilobalsamum*, the three Saunders, of each one Dram, Mace, Nutmeg, Galinga, Cloves Cucubus, white and long Pepper, Saffron Spikenard, Grains of Paradise, *Cardamomum* of each three Drams; Zeodary, half an ounce, Squinant half a Dram, the Peals or Rinds of Lemons, the Seeds of Lemons; *Sticados Arabich*, of each one Dram, *Calamus Aromaticus* half a Dram, *Carlimacerdopacii*, two ounces Bistort two drams

drams, the Root of Flowerdeluce half an ounce, Bayberries, Valerian, Polipody, of each half an ounce, Liquorish, Anniseeds, of either half a dram, of Radish two ounces, of Coriander correct, half an ounce, Syler Mountain one dram, Blanched Almonds half a pound, small Raysons half a pound being washt with Wine. All these (being beaten and strained) put into the said body of Glass, to the Hony and other things, and if there be not enough of *Aqua Vite*, put thereto more, and let them stand so seven dayes well covered and stopt, then after distil the same in Ashes with an easie Fire (all being well luted) for the space of four hours (lest the Hony boyl) then there will come out a clear Water, then increase the fire, and when you see the Water Yellow, then put to another Receiver of Glass, which you must lute also with the Beak of the Still, and keep the first Water by it self, and increase the fire until there come no more Yellow Water, and when you see it come Black, then take away the Receiver, and put another thereto, and lute it likewise, and when you see a sinoak come. then it is enough, and keep also these three severally, and let the Still stand until it be cold. In the first Water put *Folii Indi* five drams, Amber half a dram, Musk half a scruple, which is twelve grains, and also fifteen Leaves of Gold. If you will use it for the Head, take one ounce of the Water of Betony, and of the first water one spoonful, mix them together and drink it all fasting. The vertue of this doth strengthen all the Members. Take one ounce of Malmsey, or of other good Wine in a little Glass, put one spoonful

of this first White Water thereto, mix them together, and it will be as White as Milk, which drink with a fasting Stomach, neither eat or drink of two hours after, and it will preserve thy Members. For a cold Liver, take a spoonful of the White Water, with an ounce of the Water of Sage. For the Breast, and the Cough of a cold Rheum, take it with the Water of Hyssop, Lovage, or Fennel. For the Heart, with the Water of Bugloss, Borage, or Balm. For the Stomach, with the Water of Wormwood. For the Lights, with the Water of Maidenhair, or Polypody. For the Spleen, with the Water of Harts-Tongue. For the *Vertigo*, or Giddiness of the Head, or the Apoplexie, with the Water of Piony, of Fennel, or of St. Johns Wort. For the Stone, with the Water of Radish, or Winter Cherries. For the Retaining or Holding of the Water, with the Water of Cresses, some Parsley, or Saxifrage. For the Eyes, with the Water of Fennel, or Eye-bright. For the Retaining or Withholding of Menstrues, with the Water of Mugwort, or with the Water of Radish. For the too much Flux of the Menstrues, with the Water of Plantane, or Nightshade. For the Matrix hurt by the Midwife, or of any cold cause, whereby she doth conceive no more, let it be used with the Water of the Valerian, or Bettony. Against the Spots of the Face, take of the Water of Pimpernel, four parts, of this White or first Water, one part; mix them together, and anoint the Face Morning and Evening, or drink it twice or thrice in the week, with Endive-water. It Cures the Canker, being

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anointed therewith, and the Fistula, a drop thereof many times put into it. It helps a cold Gout, if it be anointed therewith. For the pain of the Matrix, let this Water be taken with the water of Mugwort. Also it is good against the Quartane and Quotidian Feavers. The Cytrine Oyl hath many Vertues, as the Oyl of Balm, if any Grief be anointed therewith. The Black Oyl is of great Vertue in the Gout, if it be anointed therewith, as the Mother of Balm. This I had out of an old written Book.

39. Here followeth an excellent Medicine, that will heal old Rotten and Incurable Ulcers, very quickly. Take of Turpentine three times washed in fair Spring or Well-water, and after put in Rose or Plantane Water, three ounces, the Yolk of an Egg, Oyl of Roses an ounce and an half, Mercury Sublimate made in Pouder, half a dram, and let them be all mix well together, and make thereof an Oyntment, and wash the Ulcers or Sores, with white Wine, then spread some of that Oyntment or Salve upon Flax, and apply it to the Sore, and Dress it with new Salve twice every day; but before every Dressing, anoint it with this following, three or four fingers breadth about the Sore. Take of the Oyl of Roses, two ounces, of Vinegar half an ounce, of the Pouder of Bole Armoniack, a little mix them together, and anoint it as is before said: And when all the Rotten or Putrified Flesh is eaten out, then anoint the Ulcer with Butter, and you shall see a wonderful effect. Proved.

40. For the Burning or great Intollerable heat

of the Urine. Take of the Seeds of Purslane, of the Seeds of Lettice, of the Seeds of Endine, of the Seeds of the White Poppy two ounces of every of them, of the Seeds of Hebane half a dram, Sebaſten two ounces, Saffron one dram, Liquorice five drams, Pine-Apple Kernels ten drams, Fountain or Spring water ſix pound, mix them all together, and let them be ſod until the conſuming of the third part of the water; then let it be ſtrained, whereof take one ounce in the morning mixed with one ounce of Julop of Vi-lets, and the fourth day the effect will appear.

41. A notable and an excellent Balm. Take of Turpentine one pound and a half, Galbanum two ounces, *Aloes Cicotrine*, Maſtick, Cloves, Galengale, Cinamon, Nutmegs, Cubebs, of every one of them an ounce, Gum of Ivy half an ounce, when all is well beaten, mix them together, and diſtil them in a Glaſs, with a ſlow fire firſt, and receive the firſt water by it ſelf ſeverally, then increaſe the fire, and a water more rediſh will come, then increaſe the fire more, and an Oyl will come of a red colour, receive that as long as any will come, you muſt change the receiver thrice. This Oyl hath all the vertues of true Balm, for it burneth in the water, and curdeth Milk by and by, for if one drop of it warm be put into a pint of Milk, it will forthwith become curded. The firſt Liquor is called the Water of Balm, the ſecond Oyl of Balm, the third Balm artificial. The firſt is profitable againſt the runing of the Ears, if 2 drops morning and evening be put into them; dropt into the Eyes, it mendeth the blearedneſs, and conſumeth the Tears, it doth marvellouſly reſtrain ſuper-

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fluorous humours in any part of the Body; it taketh away the Tooth-Ach, being washt therewith; and killeth the Worms, if there be any. The third Liquor will suffer no Venom, it is an utter destruction to Spiders, and Serpents, two or three drops thereof laid upon a venomous biting, doth make it whole straight. If thou draw a circle with this Liquor, and shut a venomous Beast therein, it will die there rather then get out; to be short, it doth all the same things that Treacle doth, but all things more effectually, being poured or put upon any Impostume, within 9 days healeth them, and likewise a Fistula, be it never so evil, and also *Noly me tangere*. All diseases bred of them, and of cold humors, it healeth, if a linnen cloth dipt in it, be laid on the place where the grief is. It putteth away utterly the Palsey, and all trembling of Members. It strengtheneth marvellously the Sinews, it is hotter then the first or second. If a man put a drop of it in his hand it pierces strait without grief. To conclude, it doth many other things, and diseases risen from a cold cause it healeth, if they use it right. *Lullius* in his Book of Waters. But this is proved by *Luonimus*.

42. If you take the Gall of an Ox, Mans Urine, Verjuice, and juice of Nettles of each a like quantity, and mix them diligently together, and after quench Steel red hot therein four or five time together; the same Steel will after become as soft as Paste. This is affirmed by the Scholars of Padua.

43. A most present Remedy for them that are infected with the Plague, for Carbuncles, Pestilential Pustles, Holy Fire, and of that kind.

Take the ripe Berries of Ivy, being dried in the shadow, then stamp them and make them in Powder, of which Powder take half a dram in two or three ounces of the Water of Plantane, and remain still in the Bed, until you have sweat very well, and after you have sweat, put on a clean Shirt well aired at the fire, and if you may conveniently, let the Sheets and Cloaths of the Bed be shifted. There hath been some healed with this order in one night. This is proved, *Alexis of Pyemont* saw one helpt with taking this Powder twice, that is, at morning and evening, having two Sores appearing, which with this Powder, broke the next day after, and so recovered.

44. To make an Egg ascend into the Air. In the Month of *May*, fill an Egg-shell clean emptied with Dew, and stop the hole well, wherein you did put the Dew, then lay the Egg in the hot Sun about noon, and it will be lifted up. But if you set a Staff by it, it will ascend the more easily. *Jacobus Weckerus*.

45. To make a t^r in Glew, a trim secret. Take the Glew made of Fishes, and beat the same strongly on an Anvile till it be thin, which after lay to soke in water, until it become very soft and tender, which will be within five or six hours, and then work it like Paste, to make small Rowls thereof, which being like Paste, stretch it or draw it out very thin; and when you will work with it, then put some of it into a Earthen Pot with a little Water over the Embers, and skum the same very clean, and let it so seeth a little while, then after work with the same, keeping it still over the hot

hot Embers, until you have done with it, for so it fastneth and bindeth the stronger; and in such sort that it fastneth pieces of Glass together. Proved.

46. If you would destroy Caterpillers, do thus. Anoint all the bottom of the Tree round about with Tar, then get a great sort of Ants or Pismyres, and put them in some Bag, and draw the same by a Cord unto the Tree, and so let it hang there, so that it touch the body of the Tree, and the Ants leted to go down from the Tree by the means of the Tar, will for want of Food, eat and destroy all the Caterpillers there, without hurting any of the Fruit. This was told me for a very truth.

47. Make a hole in the end of a Goose Egg, and put all the White and Yolk out of it, then put into the Shell a Bat that flies about in the Evening, and then glew or close it fast on the Top, and you shall see the Bat fly away with the same Egg-shell, to the great marvel of them that know it not. Proved.

48. Rub any precious Stone upon Lead, and if then it change the Colour, then it is a counterfeit Stone; if it change not, then it is a Natural and good Stone.

49. Stamp Celandine, and lay it to any Tetter or Ringworm, or any other such like, called, *Impetigo*, or *Serpego*, shifting it twice every day with new, for the space of a Fortnight, and it will quite destroy and kill them. And also it will put away any black spots with the like using thereof, in what part of the Body soever they be.

50. A very good Laxative Dredg Pouder, whereof you may take a spoonful when you need in your Pottage, or Broth, it will make you go to the Stool. Take of pure Turbith one ounce, Ginger, Cinamon, Mastick, Anniseeds, Hermetacils, Digredion, of each half an ounce, of the Leaves of Sene, two ounces, of Sugar four ounces, beat all into fine Pouder, and let them be mixed together.
Leonardus Fuchsius.

51. Take the stones out of Raysons of the Sun, then stamp the said Raysons, and apply a Plaister thereof to any Grief or Ach, and it will cease it presently, and if you use it five or six times in such order, it will thoroughly help and cure the same. I have seen this proved.

52. If you gather green Beans from the Stalks when they be ripe, fully grown and ready to eat, and then immediately cut off the said Stalks within a handful of the Root, then new and more branches will shortly spring out of the same; whereupon will spring forth new Beans and more plentiful than before, and as good as the first; whereby you may have more then double Increase, and two several gatherings of Beans in one Year. But in any wise, take heed that the first gathering and cutting away of the Stalks, be when the said stalks be green. I have seen it proved, therefore I write and publish it for an undoubted truth. It is credibly told me, that if you use Pease in the same order, the like effect will follow, which I believe to be true as well in the one as in the other.

53. Take a little Rew, or Herbage, and stamp the same, then strain out the Juice thereof, and
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after you have thus done, let the party that is pained with the Tooth-ach, drop three or four drops of the same juice into his Ear, on that side the pain is, and let him lie on his other side an hour or two, and it will not only take away the present pain, but also the party that tryeth it shall never be troubled with the Tooth-ach afterward. This was reported unto me for a truth, by one which had proved the same.

54. Lay a dish over hot sodden milk, and there will a Water be on the inside of the dish, which Water keep in some Glass; whereof if a little be put into sore pained or dim Eyes, it will help them marvellously. This was affirmed to me for a truth.

55. A Fly drown'd in Water, Wine, Ale or Beer, and so thoroughly dead, being laid in warm Ashes, (but they must not be burning or very hot) the same Fly will recover, and live again. This is very true.

56. If you do gather Roses when they be fully ripe, and immediately cut away the new springs, tops, and the uppermost branches of that year, you shall have new and fresh Roses grow out of the same, the same year, about *Michaelmas*. I know this to be true, and for a truth I have published it abroad.

56. The *Indians* do use the Tobacco a notable Herb, for to endure the drowth, and also for to suffer hunger, and to pass days, without having need either to Eate or Drink, by any Desart or Dis-Peopled Country, where they shall find neither Water nor Meat. They do use of these little Balls, which they do make of this Tobacco, they take

take the leaves of it, and do chew it, and as they go chewing of them, they mingle with them a certain powder made of the shells of Cockles burned, and they mingle it in their mouths all together, untill they make it like to Dough, of the which they make certain little Balls not much greater then Peason, and they put them to dry in the shadow, and after they keep them and use them, for the avoiding of hunger and thirst in their travel, without any meat and drink, for the space of three or four days. This Doctor *Monardus* hath written, with many other wonders and notable vertues thereof, in his Book before-mentioned, intituled, Joyful News out of the New-found World, This Tobacco is a marvellous and wonderful Herb, growing in the West-Indies, called, the New Spain; and through the bringing of the Seeds thereof from thence, it grows now both in Spain and in France.

58. Worms and other venemous Beasts are driven away from any place; with the smoke or fume of other Beasts of the same kind.

59. Quicksilver killed, burned Lead, the scales of Iron, or black Hellebore, mixed with some pleasant meat that Mice love, if any Mice eat thereon, it will kill them *Mizaldus*.

60. There is a certain Gum brought from the firm Land of *Pern*, which helps the Gout with purging the cause thereof, if you put of it as much as a Nut in distilled Water, which Water ought to be the quantity of two ounces, and give the same to the Patient, the same party forbearing meat until the midst (of the day.) This *Monardus*

monardus affirms to be proved, manifesting the same at large in his book called Joyful News out of the New found World. The name of the Gum he names not.

61. The roots of Roses or their slips with their knots, removed and set amongst Broom will bring forth yellow Roses.

62. That Cheese that is made with Cheeslar or Rennet, wherein a little of the Brains of a Weasel is put or mixt, will not putrifie, neither be eaten of Mice.

63. There is a certain Tree growing in *Peru*, a Bough whereof, if one doth hold fast in his Left hand a good while, that would know whether one that is sick shall live or die, (of that disease, or at that time) if the sick shall live and escape, the party that holds the same shall shew much gladness. If the Sick shall die, then the party that holds the same shall be very sad. *Monardus* writes of this Tree in his said Book, and shews that the same was proved to be true by a Gentlewoman that was marvellous sad, whiles he did hold the same, whose Husband died soon after accordingly. *Taisnier.*

64. A rare and strange kind of fruit, as great as a Nut, with marvellous round and hard black stones in them, is brought out of the *New Spain*; by the Report of the said worthy Doctor *Monardus*, whereof two or three with hot Water, doth more effect for to wash and to make clean clothes, then one Pound of Sope doth; whereof, as well as of many other strange and excellent things you may read, Described at large in his said Book called,

ed. The Joyful News out of the *NEW-FOUND WORLD*: A Book no doubt, but worthy of great Value, Estimation, and Commendation.

65. If a handful of Figgs be stamp't, till the Kernells be broken, them tempered with a little fresh Greace, and so a Plaister thereof laid to a Womans breast that is sore, as hot as she may suffer the same, it will take away the swelling and pain thereof; and if it be ready to break, it will break it, or else not. This is an excellent and sure tryed thing.

+ 66. Take two ounces of Sulphur Vive, called quick Brimstone, beat it in Pouder, and mix the same well with as much of black Sope that is of the most stinking smell, and tie the same in a Linnen cloth, and let it hang in a pint of strong Wine Vinegar for the space of nine days, and then use to wash any kind of scurviness or Morpew therewith, though never so cold or rooted, being on the face, or in any other yart of the Body, with a Linnen cloth dipt, or wet therein, and so let the same Vinegar dry in of it self; and do thus as long as the said Vinegar lasteth, and therewith the Deformity or Morpew will be perfectly healed. And whosoever useth to drink the Water of Strawberries distilled, it will certainly kill the root of any Morpew that is within the Body. Proved.

+ 67. An excellent Presarvative against the Plague which was proved and used in the great Plague time in *ENGLAND*, in the Year of our Lord 1548. For every one that used it then, escaped. Take Aloes, Hepatick, pure Cinamon, Myrrh, of Each three Drams, Cloves, Mace, Wood of Aloes,

Aloes, called *Lignum Aloes*, Mastick, Bole Armoniack, of each half an ounce, mix them all together, and make thereof a very fine Pouder, whereof take early in the Morning, with White Wine mixt with a little Water, and by the Grace of God, you shall be preserved safe from the Plague *Weckerus*.

68. If you burn the shells of Snails with Styracks and then sprinkle thereof upon an Ants hill, thereby they will be driven forth of the ground, or place where they are.

69. Take English Saffron beaten in fine Pouder, and as much of pure and good black Sope, which when they be well mingled together, spread it upon the fleshy side of a piece of Leather, then lay it upon the Navel of them whose Urine or Water is stopt and it will procure the Water to come forth, and thereby they shal make Water within an hour. This was told me for a truth, and tryed secret, whereof I dare make no Warrantize, but favour it as you find it.

79. *Alexander* the Great, being desirous that the long life of Harts might be known to his posterity, causeth golden Chaines to be made fast unto many Harts (about their Necks I think) the time when the same was done being exprest or marked in the same; and they which were taken off the same Harts, an hundred years after, did not seem to be of the age of old Harts. *Mizaldus* writes this, who affirms that *Pliny* is the Author thereof.

71. Quick Lime mixt with old Cheese, and weil beaten together, will fasten and glew strongly together

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gether broken stone Vessels, and also broken Glasses. This was credibly told me for a very great secret, by one that proved it.

72. Whosoever hath an extream heat, or sore burning Feaver, Let him use to drink four or five times in one day, a good draught of the distilled Water of Wild Poppy, that is; *Pappaver erraticum*, which grows among Corn, with a red Flower, much like the Leaf of a Rose, it is called of some, Red corn Rose, This I have tryed to be true.

73. If the bottome of a seething pot with meat newly taken from the fire, may be touched or felt without harm or danger of burning, then certainly the same meat is boyled enough, But if it be hot and not sufferable, then it is not sufficiently sod. This I know to be true, for I have seen the tryall thereof.

74. Lay a green Ivy leaf in a dish, or other Vessel of fair Water, either for your self or for any other, on New-years evening at night, and cover the Water in the said Vessel, and set it in a sure or safe place, untill twelfe evening next after; (which will be the fifth day of January) and then take the said Ivy-leave out of the said Water, and mark well if the said leaf be fair and green as it was before, for then you or the party for whom you lay it into the Water, will be whole and sound, and safe from any sickness all the next year following. But if you find any black spots thereon, then you or the parties for whom you laid it into the Water, will be sick the same year following. And if the spots be on the upper part of the leaf toward the stalk, then the sickness or pain will be in the head,

head, or in the neck, or thereabout. And if it be spotted nigh the midst of the Leaf, then the sickness will be about the Stomach or heart. And likewise judge, that the Disease or grief will be in that part of the body, according as you see the black spots under the same in the leaf, accounting the spots in the nether or sharp end of the Leaf to signify the pains or Diseases in the feet. And if the leaf be spotted all over, then it signifies that you or the party shall die that year following. You may prove this for many, or few, at one time, by putting them in Water, for every one a Leaf of green Ivy (so that every leaf be dated or marked to whom it doth belong.) This was credibly told me to be very certain, who affirmed to me faithfully, that it was divers times proved for a very truth. But because I never tried it, therefore I referre every one that shall read it, to the tryal thereof,

75. *Brusonius* writes, and *Georgius Fabricius* affirms the same, that the bones of Hens, mixed with melting gold, do consume the same Gold into themselves.

76. The Water of distilled Hony makes fair and comely coloured Hair, if it be often moistned, or spunged therewith. This is proved.

77. The roots of Holliocks, stampd and mixt with the Grease of an old Hog, and plaistred to the Gout, helpeth it in three or four days, *Pet. Hisp.*

78. Verjuice sod, until it be very hot, and then put into a Tin Bottle with a narrow mouth, and then holden to, or in the ear, that the fume thereof may enter into the head; it will healp the head-
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ach marvellously, and the sounding of the eares. And if there be any quick things in the Head, it will bring them forth with great speed. A Gentleman taught this to a Woman that was sore tormented in her Head, esteeming it as a precious and rare Secret; but I never tryed it, therefore as it proves, so praise it.

79. If one be wounded that hath the Dropfie, it is hard to heal him. *Hippocrates*. Therefore this is worth the marking.

80. You shall know how many days old the Moon is, if you do as followeth (especially she being in the first Quarter) hold before your Eyes a piece of fine Lawn, and look thorow it straight upon the Moon, and so many days old as the Moon is, so many Moons shall you see, or at the least, they will seem so many in your sight. As soon as you try it you will say it is true, for I have seen the proof thereof.

81. I have heard it told for a very truth by divers persons, that in a Plague time, in the City, of *Cullen*, there was a certain Woman dyed, and was buried with a Ring of Gold on her finger, for the goodness whereof, a covetous fellow within a while after she was buried, digged her Grave, and opened the Coffin wherein she did lye. thinking thereby to take away the Ring from her finger, but immediately the said Woman did suddenly stir and move, and began to sit up, which when the fellow saw, with great fear he run away; the Woman by some means did unloose the sheet wherein she was wrapt, and then she went straight home to her Husband, and called upon him to let her into the house,

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whom when he heard, he thought it had been a Spirit. But at last, through her importunate calling he received her into the House, and thus wonderfully she recovered and lived; which Woman, after that had three or four Children, of whom it was said, there is a Monument at this present, in the said City of *Cullen*. Therefore too hasty or quick Burial is not to be used, as not only this rare Example may sufficiently reach us; but also for such causes as I have alledged in another place of this Book.

82. If you graft the slip of a Wilding or sower Apple upon the stock of a Hawthorn, you shall have Medlers grow thereof. This I have seen proved, therefore I affirm it for a very truth.

83. A little Bird, called the King-Fisher, being hanged up in the Air by the Neck, his Neb or Bill will be alwayes direct or straight against the Wind. This was told me for a very truth; by one that knew it by proof, as he said.

84. Whosoever shall wear about their middle such a Girdle as followeth, tying it fast that it fall not away, they shall not need to fear drowning though the Boat they are in should miscarry, whereby they may pass over any Water safely, and without any danger, though it be never so deep; for so long as they have it about them, they cannot sink. Take two pieces of good Neats Leather well Tanned and Drest, such as Foot-Balls be made of, (either piece being of the breadth of five or six Fingers) and of such a length as will make a sufficient Girdle for you, let a Shoemaker Sew them very strongly, and thick stitched, and surely together, and likewise

wise at both the ends, and in the midst thereof fasten a Pipe, like to a Bag-pipe, wherewith blow the same Girdle as full of Wind is you can possible, then under the nether end of the Pipe, tie the Leather very fast and sure, that joyns the Pipe and the Girdle together, with a strong Packthred, or with some other sure and strong thing, lest the Wind should come out of the Girdle (whereof you must take great heed.) Also blow three Ox Bladders full of Wind, and tie them hard that the Wind goe not forth of the same, and Sew each of them strongly and surely within with good strong Neats Leather, round like unto a Foot-ball, and make three strong Loops upon the said Girdle, one against the midst of the back, and against either of the sides one, and then tie fast and surely one of the said Bladders sewed in the Leather, to every of the said Loops, and then tie the same Girdle about your middle very fast and sure, and then you cannot sink into the Water, and so you may pass safely over, if the Water be not too broad and too rough. *Nicholas Michavel* hath written of such a like Girdle in his excellent Book of the Art of Wars, for the saving of Souldiers and Fishers, over Waters. In his Book, there are other notable Engines, and worthy matter beside, concerning Wars.

85. A Ladle made of the Wood of a Fig-tree, hath a marvellous property, for if flesh in the seething thereof, be often stirred therewith, or if it be in the pot while it is seething, it makes the Flesh to be sooner Sodden.

86. A Partridge will cry aloud, and will tear

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or break the Cage or Coop where she is fed, if there be any deadly Medicine or Poyson prepared within the same House, which she doth feel presently, and also hath knowledg thereof, through a wonderful, special, and rare Gift of Nature, *Etia ex Pisone.*

87. *Gellius* writes, that the Hedge-Hog makes the mouth of her Hole, Cabben, or Cave, always contrary to the Wind; for through a marvellous Natural gift, she hath fore-knowledg in what Quarter the Wind will be, and thereupon she changeth the mouth or entring in of her Hole, or Cave, whereby Mariners have learned aforehand, the place of Wind.

The End of the Tenth Book.



The Eleventh Book.

1.

AN inward Imposthume may be broken by a sudden Passion, as Laughter, &c. As appears by that memorable Story of a Cardinal of *Rome*, who being at the point of Death, and given over of all Physicians; Every one of his Servants strove to get something for himself, and so divers of his Gentlemen having some, a little Box, or Cabinet, or little Trunks under their Arms, came and presented their Service to him, and so past

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away with a Congie. The Cardinal keeping an Ape, and the Ape observing as he sat by the Bed-side, how they all carried away somewhat, and were gone; he spied the Cardinals Cap, which being upon the Bed, he leaped and took it, and put it on his Head, and came and bowed his Head to the Cardinal, and so went out of his presence; the Cardinal perceiving that his Servants had progged for themselves, and had left him, and observing the Ape how he strove to imitate them, could not forbear Laughing extreamly at the wit of the Ape, and the Servants Knavery, and so by his violent Laughter, his Imposthume broke, and he speedily recovered his Health.

2. An approved Cure for the Tooth-Ach, caused either by Worms, or Rheumes; take some Seawater, which is extream Salt, and hold it in the Mouth on that side the pain is on, and when it begins to be hot in the Mouth spit it out, and take in more, do so four or five times, and as you find the pain decrease, cease to use it: It is certain that it kills Worms, and stops Rheums, therefore *Plutarch* in his *Morals*, saith; That they that live near the Sea need not be troubled with this Disease, because they have so sure a Remedy so near them.

3. The Cure of that common Disease of the Ague, seems to be so hard, and the Medicines used to be unprofitable, because Physicians mistake the state and place of an Ague, and indeed because the Practise of the true Cure is altogether now left off: For the Ague lies in the Spirits, in the Intrals, and in the Blood, in the Vains; for the Spirits vitiated and oppressed; Therefore the Antient

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Greeks alwayes opened an Artery, and so never missed of perfect and speedy Cure; And if it was now Practised, thousands would speedily find help for that Shivering and Quaking Disease. Proved.

4. The Stone is a sore Disease, and often times costs the Life of the Party grieved; which yet to help and Cure, men are taught by Nature, in some Plants and Herbs. For it is certain, Thyme, Parsly, and Nettles flourish most in stony ground, nay lay the Seeds of these in a close place, even upon Marble and they will take Root in it, and cleave and break it; so that mix the Spirits of these three or four Plants together, of Thyme, Parsly, Roman, Red Nettles, and Fennel, of each a like quantity, and let the Patient take a little quantity in White Wine in a Morning fasting, and at Evening in Bed, he will shortly, to great comfort, find the benefit. Proved.

5. There have been Many men, and Women, who have been cut and wounded, and for want of some to stench the Bleeding, have been not only much infeeble, and their Spirits quite spent; nay oftentimes Gangrens, and so Amputation of a Limb, if not Death hath followed; for the Prevention whereof, till a Chirurgion can be had, let the Webs of Spiders (the more venomous the better for that use) be gotten, and applied to the Wound, and they will stop the Bleeding of the Wound, for they are of great force, and stiptick for all Flux of Blood; let it not be dispised because it is easily to be had, for the Web of the Spider is in many cases, as good as the Silk-Worms. Proved.

6. There is ~~not~~ a safer or surer Remedy to kill Worms in Children, then to take six, eight, or ten Red Earth-worms, and let them purge in Bay-salt, then slit them open and wash them in fair Water or White Wine, and dry them in an Earthen Pot, or Dish, and when they are dried, let them be beaten to Powder, and so give them to the Child in the Morning fasting, three or four Mornings, and let him eat nothing for one hours space, and the Worms will Rot, and Void with the Excrement. *Taisnier.*

7. 'Tis reported for a thing wonderful that a certain Jew, for Lucre and Gains, would be Baptised, and seem to turn Christian; but coming to the place, the Water suddenly issued out of the Font, which being fill'd the second, and third time did so again, which was taken as a token, to show Gods power, and the Jews perfidiousness. *Ann Christi 416. Sigibert* being Emperor, and *Theodorus* the younger.

8. The Frog is commonly known; but the virtues of them Physically used, are wonderful, and scarcely known. All parts of them are good, and profitable for Mankind, their Heart, *Arnaldus* says in *Lib. 4. Breu.* That one who was troubled with a Fistula at the Lower Region of his Stomach, was perfectly Cured by swallowing four or five Mornings, the Hearts of Frogs; the Lungs are a Preservative against the Falling-Sickness. And so is the Liver, as *Timotheus* relates, the Liver dried and mixed with Hony, applied to the Tooth-Ach, is a present Cure, as *Nicander* hath it. *Wecherus* testifies the same braten to Powder and

and drunk, is good against a Quartane Ague. *Lib. 2. Antedot. speci.* The Gall (as *Pliny* hath it) dissolved in Hony Cures the Flux, called the Discen-
 rery, the Blood is good against growing of Hairs, their Fat dropt into the Ears Cures Deafness; the Spaun or Sperm of them put into a Linnen Cloth, and applied to the Hemroides or Piles, is excellent, as *Grollius* in his *Basilica Chymica*. The same kills the Ich of the Hands, and Redness of the Face, and is good against any Burnings, as *Quercetan* testifies, *Lib. 1. Pharmac.* taken in *March*, all these are known for truth, as *Aldrovandus*, that famous Anthour, in his *Historica Quadrup.* relates. *Lib. 1. Pag. 606.*

9. *Of the Eagle.* The skin of the Eagle drest curiously with the Feathers, when she is young, and her Feathers as Swans-down, thick and soft, doth mightily help those Diseases of the Stomach, and Cholick, being applied warm to the place grieved, the Sinews of the Neck, and Back help the Gout in the Hands or Feet, the Bones of her Scull laid to the Head, helps the Head-Ach, *Aldrovand. Lib. 1. de Ortholog.*

10. *Of the Peacock.* Though this Bird be not endowed with Reason, yet he may teach us something unknown to us who have Reason, why else, doth this Bird by his loud and harsh clamour, Prophecie, and foretel Rain, and the oftner they cry the more Rain is signified, as *Theophrastus* and *Mizaldus* relates, in *Ephem. Text- 1. C. 43.* And *Paracelsus* says, if a Peacock crys more then usualy, or out of his time, it foretels the death of some in thaa family to whom it doth be-

long, but the Dung of the Bird dried, and drunk, is a special Remedy for the Sight, and Gout. *Joan. Scripta. Lib. 3.*

11. It is a wonderful thing, that when all other Creatures (and Man chiefly) being bitten by a mad Dog, turn mad and die; yet that Creature called a Goose doth not, whether her sudden swimming in the Water, or the eating of the Herb--- or the sollidness and hardness of her flesh hinders, and Expels the Venome, is uncertain: Some say it is rather because this Creature is so wary, and vigilant, that it is not known that ever any was bitten by a mad Dog, they making into the Water for safety. *Arist. Niphus.*

12. *Theophrastus* says, that he that keeps Geese about his House, need not fear Thieves, and hath alwayes those that will tell him assuredly, what Weather will ensue; for the Goose by her watchfulness and clamour, will give the Alarm against Thieves, and by their eagerness of feeding, and fluttering in the Water, they do presage a Storm at hand, and this is true. Either in Summer, or Winter, *Theophr. de sig. Tempest. Pliny, Lib. 18. C. 35. Carolus Steph. Hist. Sep. Lib. 19. C. 7.*

13. The Hairs of Goats burnt and mixed with Vinegar, stops presently the Bleeding at the Nose, as *Sextus*, and Cures the Lethargy. *Marcellus* and *Aesculapius*, affirm that the Hairs burnt and beaten to Pouder, and given in Wine to drink, doth Expel the Stone, and Cures the Strangury. This is true.

14. The Stag by Nature, hates all Poysonous things, therefore either the Feet, or Skin, or the Horns

Horns of a Stag. Nayled up over a door, no Serpent will enter in, *Cardanus* gives three Reasons why they are such haters, and preservatives against poysonous things.

15. There is a wonderful story recorded of a Young-man, who perswaded his Mother being very Rich, to make over all her Estate to him; to the end that he might thereby Marry a Rich Wife, which she did perform: Her Son Marries richly, but presently slighted his aged Mother, and thrust her out of Doors, so that she was forced to Beg from Door to Door: The Young-man and his Wife, and some other Friends with them, made a sumptuous Dinner, and about the midst of Dinner, his Mother being almost starved, knockt to come into the House, the Door being opened, and the Young-man hearing his Mothers Voice, commanded the Servants to cover the Dishes of Meat, and carry them away, that his Mother might not see them: She entred, and her Son talked a good while with her, but at last desired her to depart out of his House. which she did, and so he presently commanded his Servants to bring the Dishes of Meat again to the Table, the Servants opening the Dishes, in three or four of them, wherein Chickens, and a Capon were laid, drest before, were now ugly folded Serpents; the Servants affrighted, durst not come near the Platters, the Master wondering at their stay, sent a Maid-servant to bid them make haste, she coming, seeing so strange a change, ran and told her Master, that the Chickens, and Capons was turned to great Serpents in the Dish? He rose up in haste, and said, though the

the Devil was in the Dishes, yet he would bring them to the Table? So comming to lay hands on the Dishes, the Serpents leaped furiously into his face, and folded themselves so fast about his neck, with their Mouths to his, that with their rank poyson he presently died, miserably swoln, and stinking. A notable punishment to unnatural Children, forcing their aged Parents. This I had out of *Cesarus Hesperbachs Lib. 6. Illust. Mirac. cap. 22.*

16. The same Author tells a Memorable story, of a Cure of an Ulcered Wound, by a Serpent. A Country Man received a grievous blow on his left side, which by neglect swelled, and putrified, so that it was adjudged uncureable, one day going in great pain to a Wood, he leaned on a tree that was cut down, with that side open to the Sun, so that the bruised Matter might Issue out, by chance he fell a sleep, and a Snake came and sucked his fore, he feeling something about him, suddenly started up and felt ease, but fearing his Medicine would be worse then his Malady, for he was afraid lest the Snake should presently sting and poyson him, but at last resolved to let her alone, she, when she was full, went off, and the man was in good plight so going home, he told his Neighbours what a kind Physitian he met with in the Wood, so he and some of them going thither the next day, he laid him as he did before and his Physitian presently came, and sucked his Wounds, as she did before, to his perfect recovery, and the wonder of his Neighbours, who would have killed the Serpent, but he desired them not to kill or hurt so providen-

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dial a Physitian. *Casari. Hefterbach. Lib. cit. Illust.*
Mer. cap. 72. 17. *Titus Livius*, and other *Romane* Writers,
 relate a strange and true History, which happened
 betwixt the *Romanes* and *Albanes*. *Cluilius* was
 King of the *Albanes*; And *Tullus Hostilius*, of the
Romanes: The *Albanes* invaded the *Romane* Ter-
 ritories; but *Cluilius* King of the *Albanes* dyed, and
Marinus Sufferionus was chosen Dictator in his place;
 both parties agreed, that there might be some course
 taken, that two such great Armies, and worthy
 men might not be utterly destroyed, there were at
 that time three Brethren *Horatii*, of the *Romans*
 and three Brethren of the *Curatii*, of the *Albanes*,
 it was concluded of both sides, that the whole busi-
 ness concerning who should be chief should be
 concluded by the success of these Combatants.
 They enter the Lists, equal in valour as in num-
 ber fighting, two of the *Horatii* were killed out-
 right, and two of the *Curatii* wounded onely, the
 third of *Horatii* won the Field, not by fighting with
 all the three, but by running, and they following,
 encountred them one after another, and slew them
 all, to the glory of his County and himself, though
 ill rewarded for it afterwards, this is a good ex-
 ample for other Countries not to neglect such
 who have done exemplary Acts of valour, and
 honour for their Countries freedom, *Tit. Liv.*
Lib. Primo.

18. The signes, and tokens to know whether
 a Horse be old, or young, are various. *Anato-*
lius says, if you pull up the skin a little from the
 flesh, if it follow your hand as you draw it upon
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him, and presently returns to its place, it shews a Horse is young; but if you lift up the skin, and it returns but slowly to the flesh, it declares him old. *Vesentius* says, that to know the age of a Horse, count the wrinkles upon his upper Lip, from the first place of his biting to the furthestmost part, the number of the Wrinkles shews the number of years. The more Wrinkles the older, the Dulness of his Eyes, the Bauldness of his Eye-brows, his heavy Looks, his hanging down of his Head, and slowness to Motion, and white Hairs intermixed, with thickness of Skin, Posterns, set Dock, great Teeth Yellow, He is a young Horse whose Face is fierce, rash, bold, fuming, fiery, furious, and Neighing. *Camerinus* says, a good and corragious young Horse, must partake of three qualities from three Creatures, three from a Wolf, Eyes, Stomach, and a stout Neck; three from a Fox, short Ears, long Tail, and gentle Gate; three from a Woman, his Breast, Pride, and his Hair. *Aldrovand. de Quadrup. Lib. 1.*

19. 'Tis known for truth, yet very strange that a Gentleman being a little merry with Wine, came to *Rocheſter* over the Bridg on Horse-back in the dark of the evening, there being but a Plank laid over betwixt two Arches, with small Rails for Foot-folks only, for the Bridg was Repairing, he not knowing of it, nor his Horse making any stop, when he came into his Inn the man bid him welcome, and wondering to see him there, asked how and which way he came into Town: The Gentleman replied, over the Bridg, it is impossible, said his Host, for a Horse to come over,

over, the other defended it, next morning, the Gentleman and his Host went to the Bridg, and he seeing the height of it from the Water, the Narrowness of the Plank, and the greatness of the Water, fell down dead immediately, and could not be recovered: Many have been known to have been swallowed up with grief, and to make away themselves, by thinking what evils they were to suffer; scarce any before this man is known to have died, for escaping great and imminent dangers.

20. A Famous, or rather an Infamous Thief, riding in a narrow Lane, there met him a Bearherd with two Bears, his Horse being full of Mettle, leapt a Hedge, and coming through the Meddow, there was a narrow Bridg over a River, his Horse running suddenly to it, went presently safely over: Nay says the Master, if you do so for your own pleasure, you shall do it once again for mine, so he turning his Horse, the Beast came well over again; he strove to force him to go over the third time, but the Horse would not, and so he presently cried out: *Nay it is sure? That he that is born to be hanged, shall never be drowned.* And so he staying there was pursued and taken, brought to Maidstone Goale, and next Assizes was hanged for Felony.

21. *Albertus* Duke of Saxony, discoursing with *Maximilian* the Emperour, told in mirth and derision of the Popish Religion, that he had three strange things in one City, a great company of Fryars, Predicants, that had their Barns full of Corn, yet had no Ground to Till. A great many

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Franciscans that vowed poverty, and had no Revenues, yet their Chests were cram'd with Gold, abundance of Black Monks that were full of children yet had no Wives.

22. That famous Bridge of *Rochester*, is all barricadoed with Iron bars, of great strength and height but few know the Reason, and 'tis fitting to be divulged: A mans wife in *Rochester* kept a Paramour, and because she could not enjoy him, as oft as she would, they both plotted to murder her husband, which they villanously performed, and having so done, they resolved to Sew him up in Sack-cloth, and in the dark to throw him over the Bridge into the River, the Paramour having him upon his back, the woman spyed one of his feet hang out, say (said she) I will stitch up this foot which hangs out, and in stitching, she stitched it fast to her Paramours Coat behind unwittingly, he coming to the Bridge, went to hoist him over, and violently casting him off, the weight of the dead Body, of a sudden puld him over too, and so they both were drowned, who being taken up and known, the Woman was examined, confessed, and was executed, and hereupon to prevent the like mischiefs, the Bridge was presently after encompassed with Iron Bars.

23. In *Devon-shire*, in the time of the Wars, the Kings party kept a Garrison in a Knights house, the Parliaments Army marching not far from it, sent a party to summon it, but they within stood out and would not yield, so the Parliament having lost more men then the Commander Judged the place worth gaining, came off, but the General, the

the Earl of *Essex*, sent a strong party to storm it, they within being but few, and wanting ammunition, the Captain being put to it extremely used all his wits to defend it, there stood hard by some five or six Hives of Bees, which the Captain Commanded to be thrown over the Walls amongst the Soldiers, they with their noise and stings, did so wound them in their Faces, Necks, Heads, Hands and Leggs, and vex them that they were not able to use their Arms, whereupon the Captain (being a Kinsman to the General) sent presently to surrender the house, which was done upon good conditions and Honourable, because of the Wit, and Ingenuity of the Captain; whose policy wounded most but killed none of the Parliament Soldiers.

24. *Rodolph* the Emperour of *Germany*, kept a Blackamore, and he desired to have some *Barbary* Horses, fetcht out of *Barbary*, and so gave four or five thousand Pistols to the Moor, to go and fetch him some over, the Emperours *Jester* stood by; and seeing the Emperor to furnish him with so much money; took his note book and set down the Emperours name in it, the Emperor asked him why he did so, I count you a fool for trusting him so much. What if he comes again, said the Emperor. Your name shall stand in till he doth come, and when he is come, I will put your name out and put his in.

25. Dogs are known to be of singular rare qualities, not only for gain and profit, but for defence and revenge also, against all such as have injured their Masters, *Blondus* relates a strange passage of a

Dog.

Dog. A young-man had a Sweet-heart, that lived not far from *Paris*, he was desirous to visit her, and took another Young-man with him, and his Dog; the Young-man kills his companion for his Money and hid him, the Dog seeing his dead Master, howled and grieved exceedingly, but with all, followed the Murderer at a distance, Barking furiously at him, company coming by, wondered at the fierceness of the Dog, which could not be made to leave either following him, or Barking at him, the People bid him fight with him, and kill him; but the Dog set upon him, caught him by the throat, and he crying out for help, told the men if they would take off the Dog, he would tell them the cause, they with much ado got him off, he confessed that he had murdered the Dogs Master, whereupon he was Apprehended and Executed at *Paris*. This *Blondus* in *Hist. Animal. Gesure. de Quadrup. Lib. 1. de Cane.*

26. *Ælian* tells a wonderful History of *Juba*, King of the *Moors*, who going with a great company into the Desarts to Hunt, by chance cast a Dart and wounded a Lyon, which yet made away, and escaped in the Woods: The next year after he coming to Hunt, and to take his pleasure again, this Lyon was roused by him, but the Lyon was not affrighted at the Noise or Weapons of the Hunters, but came furiously and fell upon his old Adversary and tore him to pieces, neither did he meddle with any of the other, and so having revenged himself for his Wound, ran off into the Woods: So knowing is the Lyon, and of such quick resentment of injuries done him. *Gesner. de Quadrup. Lib. 1. de Leone.*

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27. There is an Admirable History, concerning
 a Beautiful and Maiden City of Holland called
Dorch, the *Spaniards* had intended an Onslaught
 against it, and so they had laid certain thousands
 of bold Souldiers in Ambush not far from it. There
 lived a Rich Farmer who kept many Cows in
 his Grounds, to furnish *Dorch* with Butter and
 Milk; the Maids coming to Milk, saw all under
 the Hedges Souldiers lying, they seeming to take
 no notice but went singing to their Cows, and ha-
 ving Milked, went as merrily away; coming to
 their Masters house they told what they had seen,
 the Master wondering at it, took the Maids with
 him and presently came to *Dorch*, told it to the
 Mayor, who sent a Spie immediately found
 it true; prepared for their safety, sent to the
 Sheriff who presently sent Souldiers into the City;
 and gave order that the River should be let in at
 a Sluice, to lay the Country under Water;
 it was done, and many *Spaniards* were drowned
 and utterly disappointed of their design: The
 town saved, and the States in the memory of the
 very Milk-maids good service to the Country,
 rewarded him a large Revenue for ever, to recom-
 pence his loss of House, Land, and Cattle; can-
 on the Coin of the City to have the Milk-maid
 with her Cow to be Graven, which is to be seen
 on the *Dorch* Dollars, *Stivers* and *Doights* at
 this day; and so she is set upon the Water Gate
 of *Dorch*, and she had during her Life and to here-
 after, an Allowance of Fifty Pound *per diem*.
 A noble requital for a Virtuous Action.

28. What strange Effects and Operations of
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things, whose causes or times are not vulgarly known, is seen by that memorable and witty Invention of *Caesar*, who being in *Germany* by the *Rhien*, and his Enemies so numerous, and near unto his Army, he perceived that his Legionary Souldiers themselves were dismayed, and would have drawn off further, he used, (as he was able) many Arguments to hearten them to fight, as present Pay, knowledg of their Enemies Cowardise before, Honour to their Country, &c. And withal added this one thing as a sure presage of Victory to them, that he was informed by the Gods to encourage them, bad them look upon the Moon, and see how clear it shined that Night; but says he, if you see it all dark the next Night, you are sure to Conquer if you Encounter; they all upon this, if it so fell out, agreed to Live and Die with him the next Night (and *Caesar* knew it well) the Moon was Ecclipsed, they seeing it prove as he said, resolved to Fight, and had Success, as *Caesar* foretold. *Caesar. Comment.*

29. Great advantages have been made by good intelligence of the Customs, and Religious Ceremonies of Enemies: *Caesar* being to fight against *Ariovistus*, Commander of the *German*s, knowing them great strong Persons, and great Drinkers, especially at their Feasts and Superstitions, the Souldiers being eager to fight, but *Caesar* wished them to have all things ready, and be still for a day or two, and their work would be the easier performed, for *Caesar* knew it was the *German*s customs to Drink, and Feast, and Revel, and Rout, at the New-Moons, and Full-moon; he found

it true, and fell upon them as the Full-Moon, they, they scorned his small Army, so they were so urged, that they neither could stand, nor fight, and so perished in their Superstitious Drunkenness. *Cas. Com.*

30. Upon the Truce made for twelve Years betwixt the King of *Spain*, and the *Low-Countries*, the Commanders on both sides met together, and there was a great Bear-baiting, several Dogs played, first a *French*, then a *Dutch*, and last by Sir *Francis Ver's* appointment, a lusty *English* Mastiff was set on, he turned the Bear over, and closed fight with him; *Spimola* sitting by, the Prince of *Orange* asked what Country Dog that was, 'twas answered it was an *English* Dog; I thought so, says *Spimola*, they are sore bitten stout Dogs, had it not been for them, I would ere this, have worried their Countries as well, and soundly, as he hath done the Bear: It proved that the stout *English* Mastiff kept the *Low-Countries* from the bloody *Spanish* Tyranny.

31. The Duke of *Saxony* fighting against the Emperour, as a place call'd in *Dutch*, *Gods-Acre*, won the day, and took many great men Prisoners, amongst the rest there were four or five Bishops, all in Armour Cap-ape. The Duke asked them what they made there in that Habit, disarmed them, and sent their Armour and Weapons to the Pope, by whose Commission they fought, and in his Letter to the Pope, asked him whether the Apostles Successours should or ought to be Fighters, and whether it was fitting that those that should Preach peace, should wear such Garments of Iron

and Steel, to shew Church-men should not be Fighters nor Strikers.

32. It is a certain means (upon a Journey) to keep your Horse, if he be of strength and sound that he shall not Tyre, but go on to his Journeys end; if he be Dull and cares not for Whip or Spur, alight and go to a Smiths Shop and get a Horse-Nail and run through the Horses Ear, bend the sharp end of it, and let the Clapper hang pretty low in his Ear, which whether by the sudden noise that it makes in his Head, or that it affrights and keeps him from heavyness; it is sure that so long as that hang in his Ear, he will not but go on his way. *Probatum est.*

33. There fell out a sharp Contest betwixt two great Persons in *Q. Elizabeths* days, and both of them arose from mean Families, the one from a *Glaathier*, the other from a *Smith*: He that was the *Smith* thinking to upbraid the other of his Stock, said to him in a Taunting Jeering way: Oh, good my Lord, What's become of the *Gray Pack* Horse, that carried your Fathers Packs of Wool from *Braintree* to *Colchester*? The other perceiving his Rancor, suddenly replied: Oh Sir, there were a Knavish *Smith* in Shooing him, pricked him in the Foot, and so like a Knave lamed him,

34. A *Grasier* having bought a Parcel of Sheep in *York-shire*, of two hundred; he hired a Boat to bring them over *Humber* into *Lincolnshire*, the Waterman having drank pretty deep a Shore, one of them sitting at the side of the Boat falling to take a Nap, nodded his Head, a Ram standing

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next to him, seeing him Nod twice or thrice, Butted him on the Brest, and threw him into the River, the other casting out a Rope saved him from Drowning; he coming into the Boat, thought to be revenged on the Ram, so took him and flung him Overboard, the rest seeing the Ram in the River, presently all Leaped over after him, and were Drowned, to the utter undoing of the Waterman, who had engaged to bring them safe to Land.

39. *Christian*, Duke of *Brunswick*, a Valiant Prince, joyned with Count *Mansfeld* to assist the *Palgrave*, came with his Army very weary, to a large (as it proved) rich Monastery, not far from *Huel* and *Leipsich*, he summoned it, they within refused; he desired the Friars either to supply his present necessities with Victuals, or with so much Money to buy for his Souldiers, and he would see them paid again; they refused both, professing Poverty, he being vexed, Battered it and forced them to submit; there was infinite store of all sorts of Provision, which the Souldiers took: The Duke entering, went into the Chappel, where there stood the Images of the twelve Apostles and divers other Saints of Massy Silver; the Duke hating Popery, asked the Fryars who they were, the Fryars answered, the twelve Apostles; what do you shew them up all Prisoners here, they are to go among all Nations? Caused them to be taken down and Coined into *Rix Dollars* for his Army; with this Jeer to the Friars, Better spent then, then ill saved; meaning for Superstition and Popish Idolatry, adding this to all the other: You, sayes he,

have prayed unto them, I have prayed upon them go you and pray for more.

36. Many men with Travelling in hot Weather, and in places destitute of Drink or Water, are ready to faint, to hinder both these, take in your Pocket two or three Olives, and as you are athirst eat one of them, and keep the stone in your mouth, which will preserve you from fainting and thirst. *Aldrovandus Hist. Lib. 2.*

37. *Plutarch vel. max.* There is Recorded in Histories a famous Example, of the Love of a Daughter to her Aged Father, who was a Prisoner, and not permitted the company of any Friends, his Daughter at that time giving Suck, spared it from her Child, and saved her Milk in her Brest for her Father, whom she all the time of his Imprisonment, fed with her Milk.

38. Three Roman Ladies being met whereof *Cornelia*, great *Scipios* Daughter was one, the other two were of *Campania*, but lived in *Rome*; there fell out a contest betwixt them, which of them had and kept the Rarest and Richest Jewels, the day was appointed to visite on another, coming to the first, she shewed her Diamonds, Carneoles, Gold Bracelets, Ear-Rings, Collars and Coronets of Rubies and Precious Stones, set in Gold, together with her rich and various Attire, and Perfumes, *& hoc omnia mea*, And these are all mine own, says she, so coming to *Cornelia's* house, she shewed them her Children at their Books, with their School-Master, and here are mine, says she, but going from hence to the third Lady, she shewed them a larg Room of poor mens Children, which

which she kept as her own in good Order and Industry : And here you see mine : I will not lose them nor change them for all yours, said she, and the truth is, she deserved the praise and honour for relieving so many poor Orphans. *Burtens Melanch. Pag. 473.*

39. A Florentine young Gentleman, was so deceived by the Lustre and Orientness of her Jewels, Pearls, Rings, Lawns, Scarfs, Laces, Gold Spangles, and other Gaudy devices that he was ravished over night, and was mad till the Marriage was solemnized, but next morning by light, Viewing of her as she was before dressed and so gorgeously trim'd up, she was a Lean Yellow Riveled deformed Creature, that he never Lay with her nor Lived with her afterwards ; and would say, that he Married himself to a stinking House of Office painted over, and set out with fine Garments ; and so for grief consumed away in Melancholly, and at last Poysoned himself. *Gomesius Lib. 3. de sal. Gen. Cap. 22.*

40. To shew the force of Love, with opportunity and gifts, reward and beauty, *Gualtherus Mapes*, an old Historian four hundred years since, tells in this manner. At *Barely* in *Glocester-shire*, there was a Nunnery, of which there was a Noble and fair Lady the Abbess *Godwin*, that subtile Earl of *Kent* travelling that way, leaves a Nephew of his, a proper young Gallant under her care (as if he was sick) till he came back again ; and gives the Young-man charge to counterfeite Sicknes so long till he had Deflowred the Abbess, and as many of the Nuns as he could, and leaves him Rings,

Gold, Jewels, Girdles, Bracelets, to entice them the easier to his desires. He was glad of this Employment, and they hearing from one another how Liberal he was, was very willing to visit him, and in so short space he so followed Earl Godwin's direction, that most of them were with Child by him; Godwin hastes to the Court, informs that all in such a Nunnery were Whores, and how they were all or most of them Big-bellied, procures a Visitation of the Abbey. Gets them all turned out with Grief and Shame, and Begs the Lands for his own use. *Camden Gloucester-shire.*

41. *Petrarchus* tells a strange Story of *Charles* the Great, who foolishly doted upon a Woman of mean Favour and Fortune, wholly delighting in her Company, to the great grief and indignation of his Followers, and when she died would embrace her Corps, caused her dead Body to be richly Embalmed, her Coffin set with Jewels to be carried about with him, over which he Lamented. One of his Chaplains prayed to God earnestly, that the Emperour might be delivered, it was related to him, that the cause of the Emperours doting love, lay under the womans tongue, the Chaplain went and found under her tongue a little Ring, he took it away and presently the Emperour hated the Corps, and loved his Chaplain as eagerly, and would not let him be out of his sight; the Chaplain conceiving there might be some Charm in the Ring, flung it away into a great Lake, where then the Emperour was, the Emperour forthwith abandoned all his other Pala-

Palaces, and built a house there and a Temple, and lived there, and was there buried; and commanded all other Emperours should be Crowned there, and the name of the place is called *Achon* to this day.

Petrarch Epist. fam. lib. 1. Epist. 5.

4. There is in Love an Extraordinary Attractive power, *Gobrias* when he was Captain under *Myrtilus*, espied a fair beautiful maid, a Captive called *Rodanthe*, but she made the Captain a Captive; for when he had seen her, he fell upon his knees before *Myrtilus* the General with Tears, Vows, Protests, and all the Rhetorick he could use, by all the Scars and Wounds he had received for the good service he had done, or whatsoever else was dear unto him by his honour, honest friends and Fortunes, besought he might have *Rodanthe*. Oh sweet *Rodanthe* to his Wife, as a reward of his worth and service, he would forgive all the Money due to him; he would ask no body no portion but *Rodanthe* only to be his wife, And when he saw he could not compass his ends that way, he fell to treachery, force, & villany, & laid his life to stake, & so indeed perished for love. *Theodor. lib. 3.*

43. Every Lover admireth his Mistis for a *Diana*, if he be taken with a conceit of her, though she be deformed of her self, and that men may see their folly herein: Take a Description of an illfavoured Woman; yet exceedingly doted upon by a fond foolish Lover: Her skin and Face pimpled, pale, Yellow; Tanned; Tallowfac'd; a swoln Juglars, Plaster Face; a Thin Lean Chitty-face; Coudy-faced; Crooked; Dry; Bald; Goggle-eyed; Bear-eyed; Squint-eyed; Staring eyes; wry-neck'd; heavy; Dull,

Dull, hollow-eyed, black or yellow eyed, Sparrow-mouth'd, hook-nos'd, Fox nose, flat great Nose like a Promontory, Gubbertush'd, Rotten, Black, Uneven teeth, Beetle-browed, a Witches beard, stinking breath, dropping nose, with a Bavarian Pock under her chin Lave-ear'd, her Duggs like two Juggs, bloody fallen fingers, filthy, long, unpared nails, Scab'd hands and wrists, a rotten Carcase, crook-back'd Spay-footed, Gouty legs, and fore running, ankles hanging over her shoes, stinking feet, breeding Lice and Vermine, a Slut, a Fustilugs, a Truss, a Rawbon, a Skeleton, a Doudy Slut, a Scold, a nasty Ramish, filthy Quean, Dishonest obscene, base, beggerly, rude, foolish, untaught Peevish, Irus brat, Thirsites sister, let her be as nasty and foul as a Dunghil: Yet if blinded with besotting lust, he admires all for rare, she's an *Empress*, the *Treasury* of both *Indies* comes short of her perfections, *Acarrac*, of *Diamonds*, a *Chain* of *Pearl*, a *Casknet* of *Jewels* is but her just reward, *Venus* her self, *Panthea*; *Cleopatra*; *Tarquius*, *Taraquil*; *Herodus*; *Merimne*; or *Mary Burgundy* cannot exceed her. *Diana* was not to be compared to her, nor *Juno*; nor *Minerva*, *Thetis* feet were as bright as silver; *Hebe's* *Auclets*, clearer then *Christal*, the arms *Aurora* as ruddy as a *Rose*; *Juno's* breasts as white as snow, *Minerva* was wise, *Venus* was fair, but not any, not any, nor all these can equal this so fond conceited beauty. *Burtons Melanch.* pag. 517.

44. A Gentlemans Daughter of *Venice*, of great State and Dignity, fell in love with a Fidler,

great spruce fellow, she was so Enamoured of him, that she would wait all opportunity to see him, he travelled and she followed him, he went to the Wood, she did also adventure in mans attire, he coming home again, she returned to her Father, he wondred where she had been, and the cause of her going, she told him she was in love: Her Father told her, rather then she should wrong her self, he would givs her leave to marry, onely he would see and know whom she had set her heart upon; at last with much adoe she told her Father that he was but a mean man by his Profession; he asked what, she rold him plainly that he was a Fidler; her Father told her he was too inferiour for one of her Rank and Quality, and that it would be a disparagement to him and her to marry such a sleight Fellow as a Fidler; O Father says she, I beseech you let me have him, why so? says her Father, she replied, as long as he can play and sing, and I can dance, we will be sure to keep a merry house. *Kaleriota lib. 2. observ. 7.*

45. Love works strange Effects in persons, it will make men pine away, run mad, dye upon a sudden, go they care not whither, do they know not what, make away others, and themselves too, make them to Steal, commit Incest, Rapes, Adulteries, Murders, depopulate Towns, Cities, Countreies; it will make Kings spend their Lands, Lives, Crowns, Kingdoms, as King John for Marilda the fair Nunne of Dunmow; *Platserus: in Med. observ. lib. 1.* Tells of a young Gentleman that Studied Physick long, and at length fell in love with Borjudus Daughter of Strasburgh, and because

because he could not speed, poysoned himself. 1615. A Barber in *Francfort* hearing his Sweetheart was betrothed to another, cut his own throat. At *Nechurch* the same year, One, because he could not get his Fathers good will to marry, killed his sweetheart first, and afterward himself; desiring them that stood by, when he gave up the ghost, that they might be buried in one Grave. This is not all neither, for in the rage of lust, they will kill and murder others, nearest dearest friends; *Catoline* kil'd his own Son, for the love of *Aurelia*; *Oristella*, *Laodice* the sister of *Mithridates* poysoned her husband for the love of a Clown; *Alexander* to please *Thas*, set *Persepolis* on fire; with a number of such Fatal Examples of the force of Lust unbridled.

46. Two young Lovers sitting together, studied how to describe their Mistresses compleatly, the one said his Sweet-heart should have her head from *Prague*, her Paps out of *Austria*, her Belly from *France*, her Back from *Brabant*, her Face from *England*, her Hands from *Ireland*, her Feet from *Germany*, her Buttocks from *Swiesenland*, the Spanish gate, her Tyre from *Venice*, her Complements from *Italy*, her Eyes from *Persia*, her forehead from *Spain*; The other he described his Sweetheart thus: He would have her Modest, pretty, pleasing, Sweet, singing, mincing, merry, dainty, dancing, jolly, nimble, slender, strait, black-eyed, fine white hands, of Sanguine Complexion; little Mouth, Corral Lips, White, even, small Teeth, Soft, Plump, and fair Neck.

47. Many have disputed whether Marriage, or single life is to be preferred, and have shewed Arguments on both sides, amongst the rest *Jacobus de Voragine*, in 12. Arguments pathetick succinct and Elegant hath described the benefits of Marriage, they are these.

1. Hast thou means? thou hast one to keep and increase it.

2. Hast none? Thou hast one to help to get some.

3. Art thou in prosperity? She doubts it.

4. Art in adversity? She'll comfort, assist, bear part.

5. Art thou at home? She'll drive away melancholly.

6. Art thou abroad? She prays for thee, wishes thee at home, welcomes thee home with joy.

7. Nothing is delightful alone; No Society to Marriage.

8. The Bond of Conjugal love is Adamantine.

9. Kindred is increased, Parents doubled, Brothers, Sisters, Families, Nephews.

10. Thou art a Father by legal, and happy issue.

11. Barren Matrimony is cursed by Moses, how much more a single life.

12. If nature escape not punishment, thy will shall avoid it, as he sung it, that without Marriage.

Earth, air, sea, land, oft soon would come to nought; The World in self would be to ruine brought.

48. *Pelopidas* objected, *Epaminondas* he was not worthy the nature of men, who left not a Son, be-
hind him to defend the Commonwealth, and his
name and Family, he was injurious to him self,
destruction to the World, and an Apostate to
Nature.

Another quick wit replied, and answered these
with twelve other Arguments against
Marriage, as

1. *Hast thou means? Shee'l spend it.*
2. *Hast none? thy beggery is increased.*
3. *Art thou in prosperity? Married, 'tis clogged
or ended.*
4. *Art in adversity? Like Job's wife, shee'l double
it.*
5. *Art at home? Shee'l be unquiet scold.*
6. *Art thou abroad? take heed thou art not horn'd,
and then fetcht home.*
7. *Nothing is better then freedom and single life.*
8. *Marriage, 'tis such a Band there's no help of
losing.*
9. *Thy miseries and cares are increased.*
10. *Thou mayest bring up others children.*
11. *As Paul commends Marriage; so he prefers
a single life.*
12. *As Marriage is honourable, so Virginity is
the life of Angels.*

Who can reckon up the Authors who have writ-
ten *Pro & con*, some for, some against Marriage, 'tis
a hazard, and therefore to be ventured on.

49. *Fulgosus* relates a pretty Story, in the King-
dome of Naples, of an honest Country fellow at
Plow by the Sea side, who saw his wife carried away
by *Moor* Pyrates, he left his Plow, ran after into
the water up to the chin, and then swam, calling to
the Captain, either to let him have his wife back
again, or else prayed him to take him also priso-
ner, for he had rather be in prison with her,
then at liberty without her, a Gally slave, &

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Drudg; any thing to have his dear wife again, the Captain relating this passage to the Governour of *Tunis*, he let them both free, with a Pension to keep them as long as they lived, *Fulgosi lib. 2.*

50. About half a year since, a hasty Justice of Peace in *London* standing at his Gate, there was a little distance from him a company of men and women about a man that cryed News-books and Ballads, the Justice sent his man to him to forbear, or else he would lay him by the heels, the man answered the Messenger stoutly again, that it was more then he, or his Master, or his Masters Father before him could do; the Message being returned, the Justice bad his man and others to help him carry the fellow, and see him laid by the heels; they went eagerly, and when they came to execute their purpose, the man told them they was mistaken of him, for they should not lay him by the heels; the man maintain'd his words, and said he would make them good: when they came to attempt, they perceived their error, for the man had no legs, but was a Cripple.

51. Two Schollers of good degree, and very well learned, resolved with themselves to leave the University, and so in the plain and poor habit of Pedlars, they resolved to travel through *England*, and never keep company with any Gentleman; they agreed with a Stationer of *London* to send them down penny, and two penny Books and Ballads, and what they got they would give to the poor, they came at last to a Windmil, and stood staring upon it, and walking about, making a wonder what it should be, the Miller seeing two such poor fellows gazing at
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and stalking about his Mill, boldly asked them why they did so, O good Gaffer sayes one of them, what thing is this? You Coxcomby knave sayes he, it is a Mill; what did you take it to be? truly sayes the Scholler, we took it for a Jayle, why so said the Miller? because we see so great a Thief look out at the door, and therefore we hast away for fear of robbing, so they ran and the Miller after them; but they were too quick footmen, and so escaped unhurt, though they were cruelly threatned.

52. An old Souldier in Ireland being a Scotchman delighted in Bagpipes, and so in his journeys carried alwayes a pair with him, not only for recreation to himself, but also for gains; travelling one day by himself and being weary, fate down by a Wood side, took out some Bread and Cheese, and began to eat; all on a sudden he spies a great Wolf coming towards him, he having no Weapon by him; cast his Bread and Cheese to the Wolf, which the Wolf eat, but still came nearer to him, so that he was in a pittiful fear of his life, but bestirring himself, he took his Pipes in his hand, and put them to his mouth and played aloud, the Wolf hearing the sudden and strange noise, made away as fast as his feet would permit, when the fellow saw it; he played still running after the Wolf, but he liked not the Musick; O sir sayes the Souldier are you gone at my Musick, had I known it, I would not have spared to have given you your Musick before I gave you any Dinner, but well fare that Musick that rid away such Guests as you are.

53. A witty Gentleman living in a Kinsmans house, who had an absolute Scold unto his Wife, was weary of his Lodging there because of her Song; he Pend special Verses describing the mischiefs of a Shrew to the Life, before his going from the House; his Kinsman came to him and desired him to let him have a Coppy of the Verses, which he delivered by word against Scolding women: For says he, I mightily approve and like them as rare and singular ones: Truly says his Friend, Cozen, the Lines are good, but I conceive you stand not in need at all of a Copy of them; why so said the other? Because replied his Kinsman, you keep the true Original at all times by you, meaning his Wife a Scold.

54. Two Country Fellows coming through Pauls Church-Yard, when the Church was Repairing, seeing such huge massiey Stones lie there. Ah! Neighbour Roger, says he, had I these pretty Stones in my Yard at *Dunstable*: What would'st thou do with them, Says Roger? Faith Honest Neighbour, says he, I would make a great Brick Wall round about my House with them: a Brick Wall replied his Neighbour, why it is impossible: Prethy says the other tell me, Dost thou not think that they can be made square as Bricks: Yes, says his Neighbour, I believe that: why then says he, I am sure they are strong as Bricks, and as broad as Bricks, and will last as long as any Bricks, Ile warrant thee.

55. Two Countreyemen of *Leicester-shire*, coming up to *London*, when they had seen many strange sights, coming near the *Thames* by *Wapping*,
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saw the Ships riding at Anchor, and wondring what they should be, at last asked a Porter that came by what it was, who answered it was a Ship. Now God bleſs us quoth the Countrey-Men, how old may one of them be? Some a year, and ſome two year old, ſays the Porter: Lord ſave them, ſays the men, if they be ſo Big and ſo High at two years of age, what will they be when they come to be as old as you and I am Neighbour: Why ſays the Porter; they do not grow; How then, ſays they, came they to be ſo big as they are?

56. A Gentleman of good Extraction and Noble Education, and of Exquiſite Lineaments of Perſon: Not far from *Paris*, had a long time beſtowed his Maiden Affection upon a young Gentlewoman, who lived near him of admirable Parts, and her Father was extream Rich; they loved each other, but the Parents conſent could not be had, becauſe of diſproportion of Wealth; the Gentleman finding his hopes Fruſtrate, took a faithful Servant with him and went into *Poland*, to the Wars againſt the *Turks*, where he made ſufficient proof of his Valour; but at laſt received his death's Wound, his Wounds bleeding, he took his Blood as it iſſued from them, and writ his mind to this Gentlewoman in Blood, and gave it to his man with this charge, that as ſoon as he was dead, he ſhould cut his Heart out of his Body, dry it, and beat it to Pouder, and carry it and the Letter to his Sweet heart, which he heard was Married to one againſt her will nearly for Wealth, the man ſwore he would to the uttermoſt, perform his Maſters deſire: So he being dead, the man came to

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France, and in waiting his opportunity was suspiciously apprehended by him who had Married the Gentle-woman, and being searched, he read the Letter, and saw the Pouder, dismissed the man with threatning to forbear his Grounds; keeps all close from his Wife, who grieved because she was Married against her will; at length he gives it her in Broth, and mixed with Sauces in her Meat, and as she was eating, he asked her how she liked the Broth and Sauce; she said, she never did eat any thing that pleased her so well, well says he, it is nothing else but the Heart of your former Sweet-heart beaten to Pouder, and shewed her the Letter, she knowing it, said it is so good and excellent, it is pittty any of it should be lost, and so she eagerly eat it all up, went up to her Chamber and with present grief died, lamenting her own and the Gentlemans hard hap. *Thuanus. Hist. Gall. Lib. 3.*

57. Two young Paramours set their Youthful affection both upon a young Maid, and both strove who should be deepest in her Love; the one exceeded for Variety of Presents and Gifts, but the others love was the truer; her Parents counselled her to make most of him who gave her most, yet she liked him best who gave her least: It fell out in a Summers evening, that she was taking the Air with him that was most Liberal to her, the other seeing them, and at a small distance observing their Familiarity and Embracings, could not forbear but came up to them, and demanded his Love, she was startled at it, yet seemed of a sudden to be more willing to go with him then with

the former, he seeing her Inconstancy told her what he had done for her, and because she was so willing to leave him, he would but give her one Token more, and so he would départ: She not observing nor fearing any such mischief, let him come to Salute her, but he stab'd her to the Heart, the other perceiving the Fact, drew his Rapier, and there the two Paramours kil'd each other, so they died all there together. *Thuan. Lib. 4. Hist. Gall. 4.*

58. There was a rich Mercer in *Seneoke* in *Kent*, who had only one Daughter, who was in love with a young Gentleman of *Kent*, who loved her dearly; he with a young Minister his Friend as he thought, coming within three or four Miles of the place, desired him to Ride to his Sweet-heart, and present his Service unto her, for he was not at present well, but had sent his Friend to her: He went, but never told his Message truly but falsely, for he said unto her that he was come to tell her from such a man his final Resolution, that he was resolved now upon another, and left her free, because she was not a Gentle-woman born; and he would not undervalue himself, nor disgrace his Parents for a little Wealth, and such like matter. She being a proper Maid and high spirited, and seeing the Parson a handsome Man, said to him: That since the other had so undeservedly used her, she would marry the next that asked her good will: The Parson moved that, that he might have the happiness, she presently consented, and they were forthwith Married privately: But how succeeded this Match? Her Father hearing
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of it, cast her off, and would not endure to see the Parson, who came and told the Gentleman that he had been with such a Party, but assur'd him there was no hopes for him, for she was lately Married to another. The Gentleman was stricken in amaze, fell sick and died of a Consumption : They came into *Essex* where he served a Curat for many Years, till her Father died, who at his death revoked all that he had done, and left all his Estate to his Daughter : but did it thrive ? his own Brother borrowed five hundred pound for a Deanary in *Ireland*, but never repayed it ; he laid out a great deal more for a perpetual Advowson, but enjoyed it not ; for he was Sequestred and died miserably, left his Wife and Children to the Parish ; who for grief and want in the time of War quickly died, and so this unjust Match never prospered. *Probatum est.*

59. *Peggius the Florentine*, tells a pretty story of a Phisician in *Millain* that Cured mad Folks, by keeping them in the Water which he kept in his House ; some to the Knees, some to the Middle, others to the Chin, *ad modum infante*. As they were mor or less mad : And one of his Patients being pretty well recovered, stood at the door, by which came a young Gentleman with a Hawk on his fist well Mounted, and ten or twelve Spaniels following, the man was very earnest to know for what use all that prederation was for, the Gentleman told him it was to catch Fowl ; how much in the Year said the other, may the Fowls be worth you take ? Ten or twenty Crowns said the Gallant : and what may your Hawks, Horses and Hounds

cost, says the other, five or six hundred Crowns, says the man: Oh, says he, your Wealth runs away with your Horses and Hounds, and your Fortunes with your Hawks: I wish you to be gone quickly, for if the Master Physician come, he'll put you into his Water, not to the Knees, or Middle, or Chin, but over Head and Ears, for you are mad all over. *Democritus junior. Morb. 3. Subject. 13.*

60. *Martine Cromerus*, tells us a notable Story of the consequence of Scurrile Jests and Flouts, especially to our betters: *Vladislaus* the second King of Poland, and *Peter Dunnus* Earl of Shrine, had been a Hunting, and being overtaken with night, they were enforced to Lodg in a poor Cottage, when they were in Bed, the King told the Earl that his Wife lay softer with the Abbot of Shrine, he then replied and told the King, and so does your Queen with *Dabessus*, who was a brave young Gallant at Court, whom *Christina* loved. This last and true Jeer, *Tetigit Principis animum*, Galled the Kings heart, made him a long time after, sad and Male-content; and being made known to *Christina*, she never left to trouble *Dunnus* till she procured his death by Poyson. Words spoken in jest by him, but revenged in earnest by her. *Cromerus Lib. 6. Hist.*

61. *Boterus* relates a complaint, that one made for that his Physician had directed him to keep his Chamber dark and close for a Weeks time: He cryed out, and said, *Ego is sum, qui extremam malorum omnium pati sum coactus.* i.e. I am the man that am inforced to suffer the Extemity of
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Mischiefs : What, says one to him, do they endure then, who under hard Task-Masters spend their whole Lives in Gold Mines, and Tin Mines, Lead Mines, Colepits, like blind Mold-warps under Ground, condemned to the Gallies hunger, Thirst, Slavery, without hopes of Delivery ; to be shut up as the Women in *Turkey* most part of the year ; or as the *Spanish* Dames, mewed up like Hawks by their jealous Husbands, to live under the Pole six Months in perpetual Night, to want good Air, Dyet, Exercise, Company, Sleep, Rest, to be bound in Chaines in a Dungeon ; to abide filthy Stinks ; ratling of Chains ; howlings of Prisoners ; to lie nastily amongst Toades, ones own Dung, in pain of Body and Mind : What says he? Is your Medicinal Physick to be compared to these Torments ; be ashamed at the Complaint, and be content. *Boterus Lib. 7. Polit. Cap. 4.*

62. *Ansonius* hath a witty Epigram of a poor man who had bought a Rope, and was going to hang himself ; as he went he found a Pot of Gold, left the Rope in the place, but he went merrily home. Another man who had hid the Gold coming to fetch it, found it taken away ; he was so stricken with grief for his Loss, that he took the Rope and Hanged himself indeed. *Anson. Epig. 22.*

63. A great Astrologian living in *Rome*, cast sundry mens Nativities, and pretended deep Knowledge and Learning that way, and finding great gains coming to him by that Trade, at last hoping for a large reward, presumed to tell one of the famous Cardinals, how that he with Care and Study,

had exactly Calculated his Nativity, and that it pretended and shewed great Preferments, Honour, and Wealth, even to be the Supream Head, or Pope of *Rome* before he died, to whom the Cardinal wittily replied : Alas Sir, you are quite mistaken in the time of my Birth : Not so Sir, replied the Astrologer, for I saw it exactly Registred in a Book ; I, but replied the Cardinal ; Sir, I have been born again by Spiritual Regeneration, and that totally Eclipsed the other, so that you are grossly mistaken ; and so dismissed and utterly disappointed the Figure-caster of his hopes.

64. The Bishop of *Ely* in *Richard* the Third his time, was committed to Prison ; and at his first entrance, the Keeper gave order to search him for Letters, and Writings, the Bishop was very unwilling to be searched, which made the Officers the more eager, and so in searching they found great store of Gold, even two thousand French Crowns. The Keeper wondering at it, asked his Lordship why he brought so many pieces of Gold into Prison with him ? The Bishop replied, it was alwayes wisdom in times and places of danger, to be well stored with Friends : And so the Gold proved, for he gave half of them to the Master Keeper and other Officers, and so they let him make an escape which saved his life.

65. King *Henry* the Eight his Jester, *Will Summers*, being in *France*, and talking with the Jester of the King of *France* ; he was telling him what a Great and Renowned Victorious King he followed : The *French* Kings Jester answered, that he was nothing so in his Masters esteem : For, says he

he, if you will see his Picture, you will see what small account my Master makes of him, so they going through divers rooms in the Court, wherein were the Picture of several Emperors, and Kings, and Princes, yet there were none of *Henry the Eighth* Picture; at last behind a long Gallery, there was a little place, an house of Office, where the *French King* eased himself, and there stood the Picture of *Henry the Eighth*, look here said the *French Jester*, my Master thinks this place good enough for your Master; well saies *Summers*, is it so? yet I tell you that your Master never sees my Masters picture, but he is ready to beshit himself for fear of him.

66. A Country Farmer driving a Team of five horses, his fore-horse was decked and trimmed with Taffels, and a large Feather on his head with Ribbons, and was very fat and lusty, the other were lean and poor Jades, without any trimming or dressing at all; a Lawyer meeting them, asked the man, why his forehorse was so fat and fine, and all the other so poor and lean; Oh Sir saies the Carter, have not you so much wit in your crafty pate, as to know; that the Fore-horse is as the Counsellour, and the rest are all his poor Clients.

67. At *Bow* in *Essex*, not far from the Bridg was a man a fishing, there came an old Excise man, and stood upon the Bridg, looking what the fisher caught, at last after a good while staying, he called to the fisherman, telling him he had needed patients, by way of jeering him, because he did not see him catch any thing: What do you imagine or think

think to catch says the man, and what Fish hope you for : For what sayes the Fisher ? I fish to catch the Devil : Oh ! Strange replied the Excise-man, pray you what bait do you use to catch him ? Why says the other, do not you know that an old Excise man is the only bait that the Devil swallows, the other went away ashamed of his Question and Profession.

68. A certain Gentleman that was Religious, and was used to examine his Servants when they came from Church, what they did remember of the Sermon ; one amongst the rest who was very lately hired, having not lived in any Religious Family before ; being amongst the rest of his fellow Servants, the Gentleman asked him what the Text was ? He had began his Sermon before I came in, sayes he ; what did he speak of in the middle, sayes his Master ; Indeed Sir sayes he, I was asleep then ; well, replied his Master, how did he end and conclude his Sermon, truly Sir said he, I had an old Friend called me out before the Sermon was done ; truly sayes his Master, if you will hear nothing at Church, you are no servant for my house ; truly Sir, replied the man, I came not to follow the Church, but to do your work, and I care not though I work all the week long, so that I may not be troubled in this kind on Holydayes any more.

69. The King of *Spain* desirous to conquer *England*, asked counsel of his Lords how it might be easiely done, some said one way, and some another, at last, one Lord told him, the surest way to get it, and and to keep it, was to have the

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Popes Donation : The King liked it very well, and so obtained the favour of the Pope, as first to curse *England*, and then to give it to him; He prepared a great Army for Invasion in 881. being soundly beaten, and shamefully forced to fly from the *English* : The King desirous to hear what was become of his great Fleet, and whether they had taken *England* or not; his Jester stood by and told him, that the *Spaniards* when they met the *English*, were so valarous, that they scorned to fight on Shipboard, but leaped overboard, and sayes he, the *English* like Cowards durst not follow them, and sure it is, though ours did not take *England*, yet *England* has taken them.

80. A great rich man being too much given to his base and vile Lusts, was by the high Commission in Queen *Maries* daies, enjoyned his penance, which was, that he should make a Causey of a mile in length, in a moorish dirty place in *Lincolnshire*, and he was enjoyned also to see the work finished in a short space; a witty fellow stood by, and hearing the judgment pronounced against him; the man thought the punishment was too severe, and replied against the Judges for the sentence, the party that heard the sentence, hearing him complain of his hard usage, O Sir saies he, why do you complain, the Judgment of the Court is just, and proportionable to your fault, why so saies the man? because saies he, you have done nothing else for many years, but lay your stones in foul places, with your Whores and Courtezans; and so the Judg, to cause you to remember your former and ugly Foul Trade of sinning, have en-
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joyn'd you to make clean four places with stones throughly laid, that so your foul ways and cour-
ses may be made clean by remembrance of your pu-
nishment.

71. The same party on a certain day, being
overseeing the Labourers at work; it chanced
that a great Lord passed by, who knowing the man
that was to make it, are you Sir, saies he at the
charge of all this, yes said the other, it's a very cha-
ritable and good work for Travellers, and passen-
gers, said the Lord, but said the other, its, fore a-
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thanks, if you do it by compulsion, and not of free
will, we are beholding to foul sin for our clean
way, and yet says he, I doubt not 'tis the way to
Heaven; the other perceiving that the Lord and
his followers mocked, and taunted him, suddenly re-
plied, Sir, your Lordship said right and true, 'its
not the way to Heaven, for was it, your Lordship,
and your swaggering company would not have been
in it so soon.

72. Dr. Butler that Famous Physitian, being
at London, in a rainy evening going down Fleet-
street, went close to the shopbulks to keep himself
drie; a Roistering Young Gallant meets and
pushes him from under the Bulks into the street,
the Doctor being old and weak, was ready to
fall into the Channel, but recovering himself,
said, Ha, that I had known your mind Sir, be-
fore, why what would you have done, saies
the Gallant? What saies the Doctor? truly I
would have prevented you; how so, saies the
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other? why saies he, I would have gone further from you, but saies the Doctor, was it in earnest Sir, or not? In earnest, replied the Gentleman, nay then saies the Doctor, I am satisfied, for to tell you the truth, I love no such jesting: And so they parted, only the Doctor bad him remember the old Proverb, (as stout as he was) that the weakest still goes to the wall.

73. King *Henry* the seventh intending to Marry his Eldest Daughter, would not do it without the advice of his Privy Council, and so calling them to meet, told them his purpose, and desired of them to know whether he should dispose of her to *France* or *Scotland*? they being in consultation, some said to the King of *Scots*, others said to *France* by all means; the King desirous to be satisfied in it, wished each party to render the reason of their judgments to him plainly, those that stood for *France* said it was the flower & garden of *Europe*, a Potent, rich Kingdom, and by that means he would have great Alliance; But as for *Scotland*, it was a poor, barren, and an obscure place, no wealth nor Honour by the match: Then they that were for *Scotland* said to the King, as for *France*, it's a fickle people, enemies to *England*, and envious of it's prosperity, and being so large and great, all *England* will be eaten up of *France*; but if you match the Lady to *Scotland*, you are sure to have a stout Back-piece, and who dare meddle or affront you, when you and *Scotland* are joyned in one; the other replied, That if the Match was with *Scotland*, he was sure, instead of a stout Back-piece, to have a

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comany of lowlie stout lazy Beggars at his back; but if with *France*, your Court will be filled with Wealth and Nobility; well saies the King, my Lords I thank you all, however I think it best at this time, and you know my charitable mind, is to maintain the poor, and once I'll venture to give my purse to a Begger, for though they come not to Court, yet they live contented in Hovels and in out-houses; and so he married with *Scotland*.

74. A young merry Blade inviting many of his Neighbours to his Wifes Gossiping, amongst the rest, there was one that was an Alewife, a young handsome woman, but very deaf, as she made her self, he desiring to be merry, took a Cup of rich Ale, beckned to her, and said, here neighbour, here is a health to you, and all your other Comrades, the Whores, and handsome Lasses that come to your house, she thanked him heartily, and said, Sir, I hope you remember your own Mother, and your Aunt, with those good Gentlewomen your Sisters: The company could not forbear laughing at her unhappy answer; and wished him to try her a little further; a little while after, drinking to her again, said, well now here's to you, and to him that lay with you last; thank you kind Sir, you never pleased me better all my life, the Company said 'twas a shrew'd answer they said, though her ears could not hear well, yet her tongue could speak truth unhappily enough: He forbore to drink any more to her, least he should make his Wife jealous, and the good company suspicious of his own honesty.

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invited to their friends house to Dinner, it chanced that he was eating of Eggs and Bacon, and she was feeding upon Beef, she being a dry, entreats her Husband to drink to her, which he did, thank you Husband said she, thou drinkest after thy Eggs, and I drink after my Ox; The one asked her why she said so, I am sure, said she it's either Calf or Ox; the company smiled, and her Husband digested it though hardly, for it almost turned his stomach.

76. The Earl of *Holland* being Chancellour in King *Jameses* time, got leave to make such a number of men Doctors, who after were called *Hollands* Doctors; many, if not most of them, being unlearned for such a preferment: Amongst others, one that was used to make King *James* merry, a Knight, Sir *J. M.* desired his Majesty, that he might be furnished with 200 l. and he would be a Doctor too; The King gave him his request; he came with two other stout Drinkers to *Cambridge*; gets to him most of *Bacchus's* Champions in the University staies drinking stoutly there a fortnight, the King missing his wonted merriment, sent away one of his nimblest Foormen to him, to desire him to hasten to the Court, he presently leaves his stout Drinkers and comes to White-hall, presenting himself before the King, the King said, welcome Sir *John*, but no Master Doctor, nay saies he to the King, you might have said welcome Master Doctor; but no Sir *John*: For I never wore my sword since I went to *Cambridge*. Why man, saies the King, the Devil of a Doctor art thou; Thou kenest no Latine? It's true replied the Doctor,

Doctor, before I went to *Cambridge* I understood no Latin, but had I staid there but one fortnight longer; I dare swear I should scarce have spoken any good English, I was so strangely changed, but good Sir, I tell your Majesty, I am a Doctor, of what said the King? Of Fiddlers and Musicians (saies he) for I broke two or three of their Fiddles I am sure of it, because the Knaves were drunk, and could not play truly: Oh saies the King, where is my 100 l. pish saies he, I sent 100 of it to *Apollo*, and drunk the other 100 l. with the Students of *Bacchus*; and so satisfied the King, and all ended in merriment, but how shall I call thee now said the King? When your Majesty sees my Sword on, then call me Sir *John*, but when I go without, assure your self I am a Doctor.

77. When Stage-plays were in use, there was in every place one that was called the Fool, as the Proverb saies, *like a Fool in a Play*, At the Red-Bull Play-house, it did chance that the Clown, or the Fool being in the Attireing house, was suddenly called for upon the Stage, for it was empty, he suddenly going, forgot his Fools Cap, one of the Players bad his Boy take it and put on his head, as he was speaking, no such matter (saies the Boy) there's no manners nor wit in that, nor Wisdom neither, and my Master needs no Cap, for he is known to be a Fool without it as well as with it.

78. A Witch in *Lap-land* being arraigned, convicted, and condemned to the fire and faggot, being bound at the place of Execution to a stake, and the

The Executioner ready to put her under her, she
 begged him to stay a little, until she might have
 a little Water to quench her thirst, for she was
 extremely dry; no such matter, replied he, for I
 should do you a great deal of injury, and put you
 to more pain. For assure your self the drier you
 are, the better and sooner will you die; and so
 executed his Office.

Mr. *Mallett* *Nash* was the Kings Attorney
 General afterwards, being a Counsellor, and of
 good and pregnant wit; hearing a Case plead-
 ing two men being Plaintiffs against a Woman
 who kept an Inn: The Case was that these two
 and another coming to a Fair where the Woman
 sold to buy Cattel, left each one of them a hun-
 dred pound in Gold in her hand, and charged her
 that she should not deliver it to any, until all
 three came to her; so they going into the Fair to
 buy Cattel, one of them leaves the other, and
 comes to the Woman, desires the Money, or else
 the Fair would be done: She without any scruple
 showing him to be one of them, delivers it to
 him; he presently gets his Horse away and ne-
 ver was heard of. The other two sue the woman for
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 gainst her, she cried she was undone; but Not stand-
 ing by her, woman said he, if you see me, I'll war-
 rant your Cause: She did so, he pleads. My Lord,
 says he, we confess we had this 300^l. and were not
 to deliver it until all three came for it; My Lord
 we have the Money, and let these two men bring the
 other, and we will pay them, but until they all three
 come we are to keep it; now my Lord, here are

But two of them, and so relieved be the woman, and wonderfully pleased the Court, and himself.

So Queen Elizabeth being a learned Princess, on a time comes into *Walsingham* School to see her Scholars, and to examine them; among the rest, espies one of a fair and ingenious Countenance, with which she was much pleased; comes to him and strokes him upon the Head, and demanded him to tell her how often he had been Whipped; the Scholar being as witty as beautiful and comely, replies *Answer* unto her Majesty in this Verse out of *Virgil*

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fit being wonderfully pleased with the witty answer, said he should be her Child, if he did English it; which presently he did thus, to her great comfort, and his Advancement.

And thus graciously Queen you do desire to know, and
only a grief, not speakable and full of woe. in bon

But a bold Lawyer who would not easily blurt at a mistake, having (as too many of them have) more impudent words then wit; his Client standing by the Bar, the Cause my Lord (says he) is clear and true, as hath been warranted by two sufficient and able Lawyers; (the one of them is without doubt in Heaven) May stay there says the Judge, if your Cause is no more certain and true then that, I shall not warrant it; for scared any of our Profession aim at that place? But where is the other, says the Judge? My Lord replies the Lawyer, I am sure he is in a place as high or higher then Heaven, for I am sure I saw him

him *Camera Stellata*: In the Star Chamber. And he is at present Lord Chief Justice, and therefore I think my Clients Cause is sure and clear enough: But says the Judge, Men that are in high Office, are not always the Wifest. Nay then, my Lord, says the Lawyer, What should we do pleading below, if you do cannot know the Estate of our Causes.

82. A Citizen brought up his Son to the School, and sent him to the University, where he studied not, but followed Company and Drinking: His Father sent for him to come to London, having a great desire to see him, and to know how he profited in Studies, and what he had Addicted himself unto: The Parson of the Parish being but a mean fellow for Learning, was to examine him; Who asked him what he Studied: He answered *Astronomy*; for I am, says he, in Heaven, or *Winter Stellas*, amongst the Stars every day; meaning the Angel Tavern, the Star Tavern, or the Sun or Moon Taverns: And I have profited mainly in the Greek Tongue. Well done says the Parson, let me hear some of that Language, for I love it; though I know as much of it as my Lord Majors House. Then says the Schollar: THE CAT IN THE PAN, ALL AT ONCE EAT THE PETIT OES.

O excellent, says the Parson, I shall inform your Father and your Mother what a hopeful Son they have, and so he did; they supplied him with Monys, and he hasted again to Cambridge to spend it.

83. A plain ignorant Country Fellow came to his Land-lords Table, being well furnished with

divers Dishes, at lower end stood a dish of Artichokes; the man fell to taste them, but one told him the Bur was the best, which he striving to swallow was almost choaked; a servant standing by told him he should have eaten them last: Last quoth he, prethee give me something to drink, for I doubt I have eaten my last, else already. You should do well, wherever you bring any of these Burs to Table, to set good store of Oyl or Butter, to make them slip down a little easier; I must carry them, says the Servant, to my Master. Do says he, I am sorry I was his Taster.

84. Two Fellows being in Drink were a fighting, there came another by them to part them; but one striking at the other hit him on the Head, and cut him deeply: Well Gentlemen, have I this for my good will; so he made haste to a Chirurgeon to be dressed, who search his Wound, he asked whether it was deep in the Scull or not? The Chirurgeon replied, Sir, your *Pericranium* is cut; and I can see your Brains beat: I scarce believe that, sayes he, for surely had I had any Brains or Wits in my Head, I would never have come amongst them, But the old Proverb is true, It is better to come at the end of a Feast, then at the beginning of a Fray.

85. A cunning Horse-courser desirous to put off a lame Horse, one coming to buy him asked why he lookt so Lean? He vowed that but Yesterday, he Rid from Sun to Sun, and never lighted or drew bit, and so he had done that present day also; and therefore it is no marvel that he looks so thin. The Fellow thinking he spoke as in truth, bought

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the Horse, but he meant that he Rid him from the Sun without *Bishops gate*, to the Sun in *Holborn*, and so back again: The other thought he had Rid him a whole day Out-right on a Journey.

86. A great Don of *Spain* was sent Ambassador to *Q. Elizabeth* a little before Eighty eight, his Embassy was to dissuade the Queen from assisting the *Hollanders* any longer against him, or if she did, then to denounce War, the Queen not regarding his Message, sent the Lord *Hunsdon* to him, and bad him give him a tart and sower Answer; that I will in faith (said the Lord *Hunsdon*) so coming to the Spanish Don he told him: That the Queen of *England* did not care a Fig for all *Spain*, yet their Oranges and Lemmons aside; however she had as sower Sawce for his Master, as he could send to his Mistresse.

87. Sir *Hugh Hamersly* being Lord Major, a Preacher at *Pauls Cross* did bitterly rail against *Usury*, calling them Oppressors, Extortioners, excluded out of the Kingdom of Heaven, and many such high Expressions against them, coming (as the manner then was) to the Lord Majors to Dinner, after Dinner (Sir *Hugh*) knowing him to be a Prebend, and a double Beneficed man, took him aside, and desired that he would let him ask him one Question; withal my heart replied the Parson: Sir, says Sir *Hugh*, you Preached a learned Sermon to day at *Pauls* against *Usury*, but I pray, tell me, which of these two are the greatest Usurers: He that taketh Ten in the Hundred, or he that taketh a Hundred for Ten?

the Latter without doubt, says the Parson, and in
I knew such an one, I would by my Preaching make
him so ashamed, as to leave it off. Why says Sir
Hugh, you are one of the men; for you have three
Places of a hundred pound *per annum* a piece, and
yet you allow your Curats but ten pound *per an-
num*, to live upon: He was convinced and asha-
med, and promised Reformation.

88. A Welsh-man travelling to London, was be-
nighted, and not being able to get to a Market-
Town, call'd at a poor little Ale-house in a Vil-
lage; but the Folks being a Bed, he called to them
desiring Lodging; the man asked how many was
of them? The Welsh-man thinking to set out his
Pedigree and Gentility, tells them there was one
*Arise up Evans, ap Jenkins, ap Morgan, ap Llewellyn,
ap Davie, ap Jones*: Oh good Gentlemen, I pray
trouble not my House if you be so many, I can-
not lodg you, for I have but one little Straw Bed:
And so her Welsh Gentleman was forced to lodg
under a Hedg all night; a just punishment for
a boasting proud Beggar.

89. Two Women fell out, and being in height
of Blood gave one another bitter language (as the
custome of Scoulds is) come, come says one of
them, Gossip are not you a good pre? I'll prove
thee both a Whore and a Thief: Oh Huswife, re-
plied the other, I care not much what thou sayest,
but see thou makest thy word good; the other
being mad, and furious with anger, made an-
swer again: I care not a Pin for thy Law, for
I will warrant thee, I am able to prove my self
in all respects as good as thou art. Another that
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stood by, said to her, Neighbor, do you know what you say, you said she was a Whore and a Thief, and you would prove your self as good as she in all respects, I that I will, replied the other, though she should be as bad as the Devil.

20. A poor man living near *Collen* in *Germany*, held a little Land of the Arch-Bishop Elector of the *Roman Empire*, his Lease being expired, some of the Bishops Favourites had begged it from the poor man, as such Varnish in great mens houses use to do, and so he fearing he should be cast out of doors, draws a Petition in this Form: To the most Reverend Father in God, *Frederick Arch Bishop of Collen*, &c. Coming to the Court, to get his Petition delivered, it was rejected, because his Highnesses Titles were not all in it, the poor man he pleaded ignorance, and said, it should be mended, so coming again, waited day after day, but could not be admitted; well saies he, I now see the old proverb is true, One Begger hath woe, To see another by the Door to go; for he that begg'd his Tenement hindred his access, which he perceiving, intended to deliver it to his Highness himself. So hearing that the Arch Bishop, the Elector would ride on hunting next morning, he set himself in a place where he was informed his Highness would take horse: at length his Electoral Highness came, but in such state, that he would not receive his Petition, but asked how such Beggars had access unto his Court, and so the man seeing all hopes gon, asked boldly whether that was the Elector of *Germany*, and the Arch Bishop of *Collen* too, yes answered one that

stood by, well for him, if he had not
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 Arch-Bishop fell from his horse, which fall cost him
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 last were apprehended, and at Assize, one being
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 so told the Officer, that truly her Master that was
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 he owe you any wages said the Officer, O yes cer-
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 cutor of his Will, and so I intend to pay you your
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 am paid enough, and to the full, I pray pay me
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 down into the Country, and being asked where his
 Master was, he told them he was married hard by
 London at a three corner'd Shop, and that the same
 day he danced through the street, with a great
 company of people to see him.

92. A witty High-way-man, standing for a
 prize, by rides an ancient grave man, whom he
 draws aside, and parleying with him, found
 him to be a rank Papist, so bound him in a little

Coppe Wood, and told him that he borrowed a few Acres more of him, and so going to his place of sitting for more game, by chance a precise gentleman with a little Rust and short Hair, he wither (him with his sword drawn) in charity, to furnish him with money, indeed Sir you stir up my zeal, he saies the Thief keep this to your self, for I will bring you to one that will cause you to stir, and give all that you have, and so brought him a little off from the Papist, and left them bound one great another, and said to them, I pray dispute it, and resolve this Question against I come to you, whether the Pope or Calvin were the greatest Sabblers, and which did the most mischief to the Church? They never saw him again to give him an answer.

93. When *Popham* was Lord chief Justice, a Horse-stealer was brought before him, and strong evidence being brought, the Jury found him guilty; *Popham* perceiving by his speech, that he was a Northern man, and he did alwayes favour them, having a mind to save his life, told the Jury there was a defect in the Indictment, which they had not considered, wish'd to go again and consult, they perceived it was his Lordships pleasure to save him, and so brought in an error in the Bill, so upon it, *Popham* told him, Sir, you are beholding to the Drawer up of this Bill for your life, Oh no my Lord saies he, I am beholding to you for Expounding it so well and favourably for a Country man of yours. If ever it lie in my power upon the like occasion I will do your Lordship the like favours.

94. A Country Farmer having six Cows, his Wife at evening bad her Son fetch up the Cows to Malkings, the Boy went, but in driving the Cows, one of them went into a dirty Lane, at the bottom of which was a place to water in, the Boy seeing her go down there, called *Ho, mull, mull*, but she not coming, he drove home the other five. Ah my brave boy saies his Mother, where is the other Cow, indeed Mother said he, I called and called, but she went down a filthy dirty Lane, I think shee's gone to the Devil, it makes no matter Boy, saies his Mother, for I will send your Father who is now in his Boots forthwith after her.

95. There was in *Buckinghamshire*, a strict Landlord to his Tenents; One had a Horse who would venture limb, or neck to get into a better Pasture; this Horse broke into a Close of the Lords, which he saw, bad his man catch him, and have him home, and tell his Tenant that if he was caught there again, he would cut off his Tail, the man did so, and the Tenant replied, doth my Landlord say so; go and tell him, if he cuts off any Horse Tail of mine, I'll make bold to cut off his Ears; the man said, take heed what you say, for I will tell my Master of it, do and spare not saies the Tenant; he told his Master; The Landlord binds him over to his good behaviour; he tells the Justice that he thought it unseemly for a Horse to have Ears, and want a Taile, and therefore he resolved if his Landlord cut off his Horse Taile, he would to make him handsome, cut off his Horse Ears: saies the Justice, you meant your Horses Ears,

not

of your Landlords, and so the Justice acquitted him.

96. *Count Mansfield*, upon a hasty march into *Brunswickland*, victuals by the way was very scarce; his Landlord had at that time nothing but a brood Goose that had young Goslings two daies old; he man kild the Goose, and brought *Count Mansfield* both the Legs well Carbonadoed; he took one, and gave the other to the Count of *Darmstadt*, trying to eat it, it was so tough, that they could not pull it to pieces with their teeth; it is like your Excellencies (saies the Count) 'twas pity this Goose was killed, for that she was so sound, she should have hanged a week in her Feathers to have made her tender: Oh my Lord, saies *Mansfield*, this Goose is so old, that I think she was one of those that kept the *Capitol of Rome*; 'tis good Physick to be merry at meat of hard digestion; but you know my Lord, that we soldiers are like *Ostridges*, can digest hard diet.

97. The Duke of *Brunswick* with his Army, coming before a rich Monastery, into which the Country people had carried all their goods and cattle; the Duke desired the Overseer of it, to lend out some provision for his Army, and he would give them his Protection, and see them repaid; but they did peremptorily refuse: Well saies the Duke, when as fair means will not, foul means shall, so falls to battery, and they yield; there was infinite store of provision within given to the soldiers; the Duke takes two of the Friers, daubs them all over with Tar and Pitch, and makes them

like two *Monsters*, he had them go to the Dutches to pick him clean; or else like two Fowls to fast to *Rome*, and tell their Father he had sent him two *Plidge Buzzards* or *Owls* for his dinner.

98. A young woman, having married an old decrepid man, one day fate musing very melancholick, another neighbour of hers came to her, and said, Gossip, what ailes you? Ah saies she, I have undone my self in my Marriage, tut, tut, saies the other, an old Horse will hold out a Job or a Journey, as well as a young one. Oh Gossip but not in deep wayes, such as he is to go in: keep him then saies the other for a show, and buy a younger for your use; for why? If one cannot, another must, for we women must be pleased.

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